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Rain Rules Bombay For Thirty Hours

CITY'S LIFE GOES OUT OF GEAR

Heaviest Deluge In Nineteen Years

BOMBAY, Thursday.

THE parting monsoon held the island of Bombay to ransom for more than thirty hours, and though at the moment of going to the press, there is an apparent lull in the air, weather experts forecast "intermittent" showers for the next 24 hours.

It was the heaviest deluge since 1930. This blinding downpour —31.25 inches in 36 hours—was exceeded in the intensity only once in the city's weather history and that was on September 10, 1930 when 21-59 inches of rain fell in ten hours. The day's downpour has brought Bombay's total rainfall to more than a hundred inches, 35 inches above the usual quota.

BOMBAYMAN HAS AN ENFORCED HOLIDAY

It was a day which Bombayman will remember long. His memory will go back to a day exactly ten months ago when ..cyclone and storm kept him perforce at home. Today too, Bombay's busy transport system went completely out of action; there were no trains, no trams, no buses, no gharries, no taxies. Many car-owners who ventured out soon regretted their foolhardiness, for they were forced to abandon their vehicles on streets where water ran waist-deep.

It was a relief to the worried office-goers when they learnt that the Government had declared the day a public holiday.

Not only the suburban services, but the main train services connecting Bombay with the outside world were also dislocted. Some of the incoming trains after being stranded for hours between Kalyan and Dadar were brought to the terminus, but most of the outgoing trains were cancelled. The Madras Express left the V. T. in blinding rain.

The aerodomes were declared "red" and no plane took off or landed in Bombay. A plane from Madras returned after coming to within 300 miles of Bombay.

Here is a round-up of the havoc wrought by rain:

For well over 30 hours Bombay city and its suburbs with their four million population have been crouching under the heaviest single day's downpour since 1930.

From 8-30 a. m. on Wednesday upto 6-30 p.m. today 28 inches of rain had been recorded. Only once in city's recorded weather history was this intensity exceeded. That was on September 10, 1930 when 21-59 inches fell in the space of 10 hours.

There were the usual occasional showers during day yesterday, but at 6 p.m. it began to pour, alternating between showers and drizzles. Around midnight, it became a steady downpour and the deluge has continued throughout the day today and far into the night.

BOMBAY TODAY

Dark skies, gusts of wind reaching occasionally 52 miles in velocity, sharp flashes of lighting, followed by rumbling thunder and water, water everywhere that has been Bombay today.

Life in this city has been completely paralysed. No trains, no trams, no buses, no taxis, not even horsedrawn gharry's. And so Bombayman had a holiday and the official gazette recorded: "The Government of Bombay is pleased to declare Thursday, September 22, 1949 to be public holiday in Bombay City and the Bombay Suburban District owing to the disorganisation of traffic etc., caused by the heavy rains."

It was the fourth successive Bank Holiday in Bombay.

VENETIAN SCENE

Most streets were streams and every maidan a lake. It was a venetian scene in the lowlying North Bombay mill area with many throughfares and lanes in three to six feet water.

Scores of stranded cars, being pushed on through flooded streets

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Flood Facts

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Three houses collapsed, injuring in all six people. The first to go down was a three-storeyed structure at Dockyard Road. A part of a building on the Vithalbhai Patel Road fell, injuring one person. The third disaster was at Doctor Street, near Null Bazar, where the first storey of a building collpsed. The fire-Brigade evacuated the residents of these building.

One man was killed when a compound wall collapsed in central Bombay. There were 13 minor fires, mostly due to electric

The city's streets were dark, as the gas supply for lighting was completely cut off.

The worst hit was the city's "floating" population.

Due to the rains the roof of Labour Department office in the Secretariat compound, collapsed and their records were exposed to the heavy downpour. The employees present telephoned to various quarters, including the Fire Brigade, for help but without any response. In the end they themselves carried the records to the main building and thus saved them.

Bombay Beats Cherrapunji

BOMBAY, Thursday. (P.T.I.): While Bombay registered 14.7 inches of rain for the 24 hours ended 8-30 a.m. today, Cherrapunji, in Assam, "the wettest place in the world", had only ten cents for the same period.

Cherrapunji, which has an average rainfall of 500 inches, has had to date 341.3 inches. For the 36 hours ended 9 p.m. Bombay has gauged a record of 31.25 inches.

Maj. Gen. Atma Singh Killed In Accident

NEW DELHI, Sept. 22. (PTI): General Atma Singh, commanding Indian troops in the Kashmir Valley, died in a motor accident near Srinagar today.

Local Trains: Decision On Resumption Only Today

BOMBAY, Thursday.

THE G.I.P. authorities stated late last night that since the floods have not yet abated, programmes of trains will be announced only tomorrow.

Only four main line trains came into Victoria Terminus, G.I.P. Railway headquarters, today. These trains were the Allahabad Express, the Madras Mail, the Poona Passenger and the Amritsar Express—all many hours late, G.I.P. Railway authorities stated tonight.

Three trains left Victoria Terminus. They were the Madras Express, the Punjab Mail and the Poona Mail. As regards other trains, the Deccan Queen—running between Bombay and Poona—which should have come this morning was cancelled at Byculla and returned as the outward Calcutta Mail from Byculla.

The Up Calcutta Mail via Allahabad, the Up Punjab Mail and Up Poona Passenger terminated at Dadar and were being returned from Dadar as Down Calcutta Mail via Allahabad, Down Amritsar Express and Down Poona Passenger respectively. The Up Nagpur Express and the Up Madras Express were cancelled at Kalyan and were being returned as Down Nagpur Express and Down Madras Mail respectively.

The Down Deccan Queen, Down Allahabad Express and the one Down Poona Passenger were cancelled.

SUBURBAN TRAINS: No train ran between Dadar and Victoria Terminus and on the harbour branch, between Dadar and Karjat and Dadar and Kasara some suburban trains were run.

Suburban trains from Kurla to Kalyan, Kalyan to Karjat, and Kalyan to Kasara will run tonight, but there will be no trains between Victoria Terminus and Byculla.

The floods have not yet abated and depending on the extent of the flood level programmes of trains will be announced tomorrow.

Carnac Bunder was one of the worst flooded areas of the city. Here is a view of the half submerged huts.

Goregaon Under Water

The whole town of Goregaon is completely innundated due to torrential rains. The streets are flooded and water has entered many houses. Hundreds of families have been rendered homeless and many lives are in danger. There has been considerable danger to property. The whole town and the area around is water-logged.

The R. I. N. men from the nearby naval establishment s.s. HAMLA have rushed to the aid of the people there. They are evacuating men, women and children from the flooded area to safety. Over 100 persons were given medical aid. The R. I. N. men and officers are doing everything they can to help the unfortunate victims of the flood.

Evacuation Of Children

Hut dwellers in Carnac Bunder were hard hit by the deluge. Children had to be evacuated to places of safety.

ADMINISTRATION OF TRUSTS BILL

Premier Clears Motives

POONA, Sept. 22. (PTI): The Premier of Bombay, Mr. B. G. Kher, today strongly refuted that the bill to regulate the administration of trusts aimed at enabling the Government to take over moneys belonging to charitable trusts or that they wished to destroy the religious emotions and instincts of the people.

Mr. Kher made this statement in reply to a remark by a Jain member of the Assembly warning Government against touching the money of religious charity. Mr. Kher said: "It was utterly unworthy motive to be attributed to the Government whose only intention is to secure better administration of such trusts."

The Premier also assured the Jains that he or his Government had no intention of hurting the feelings of the Jain community.

Mr. Kher said there was nothing revolutionary about the legislation before the House. Even the Civil Procedure Code contained a provision for filing suits relating to public and charitable trusts. The bill aimed at seeing that the moneys belonging to charitable and temple trusts were properly utilised.

Discussion on the bill had not concluded when the House adjourned for the day.

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OGL For Export Of Raw Jute Cancelled

NEW DELHI, Sept. 22. (PTI): The Government of India have decided to cancel the Open General Licence for the export of raw jute forthwith, the Ministry of Commerce announced today.

No exports of the commodity to any country will be allowed without an export licence.

It is reliably learnt that the export of Jute to hard currency areas, however, will be encouraged.

A deputation of the jute industry met the Commerce Ministry today and discussed the problems arising out of Pakistan's decision not to devalue its rupee for the time being.

Non-official and business opinions reaching here from Dacca and Chittagong express, according to authoritative circles here, a feeling of concern about the jute prices. The price of raw jute is said to have already fallen and there are no buyers.

According to advices received here, the Pakistan Government may consider the advisability of reducing its export duty on jute, but it is felt here that unless the prices of Pakistan's raw jute fall down and reach parity in price of Indian jute, there will be no purchase of Pakistan jute by India. India.

PAKISTAN'S DECISION ON RUPEE FINAL

Not Aimed Against India, Says State Bank Governor

KARACHI, Sept. 22. (PTI-Reuter).

MR. ZAHID HUSAIN, Governor of the State Bank of Pakistan, said in a nationwide broadcast tonight that the Pakistan Government's decision not to devalue the rupee was "firm and final".

There is no question of going back on it", he declared.

Giving warning against any action "under the mistaken belief that the decision would be reversed" he said: "The Government have taken a decision and are determined to enforce and abide by it".

STICKING TO STERLING AREA

Zahid Husain said, Pakistan had no intention of leaving the Sterling Area. On the contrary she wished to do whatever she could to strengthen the position of the Sterling Area.

Pakistan believed that in deciding not to devalue her currency "she is acting in her best interests and those of the Sterling Area".

The decision, he declared, was not aimed against any country, much less India.

Pakistan was anxious to sell her products to India and purchase Indian products, both at reasonable prices.

PAK JUTE MARKET PARALYSED

DACCA, Sept. 22. (PTI-Reuter): Indo-Pakistan trade relations are at a standstill since the announcement by the Pakistan Government of its decision not to devalue currency and rating Pakistan rupee about 30 per cent higher than the Indian rupee.

The jute market here is almost paralysed, as kutcha balers, who supply jute to Indian jute mills, have completely stopped purchase since the new development.

While the position of those depending on remittances from India has become more untenable specially in view of the impending pujas, local traders who had imported goods from Sterling Area, are much purturbed at the prospect of falling prices.

Banks, which were to have reopened today, remained closed today also under the direction of the Pakistan State Bank. Post offices also remained closed today.

BRITISH PARLIAMENT RECALLED
Two-Day Session

LONDON, Sept. 22. (PTI-Reuter): Parliament will be recalled from holiday next Tuesday for a special debate on devaluation of the pound, the Government announced tonight.

The session, called for by the Conservative Opposition leader Mr. Winston Churchill is expected to last two days.

The House of Lords will meet simultaneously to discuss revaluation.

"Jalaketu" Refloated

KARACHI, Sept. 22. (PTI-Reuter): The 7,180-ton Scindia cargo steamer "Jalaketu" was refloated today 55 days after running aground outside Karachi harbour. Four trawlers were used in the operation.

Earlier attempts to refloat the ship whose cargo from Philadelphia included six locomotives for India, were abandoned at the beginning of August until the end of the monsoon season.

Hungarians Confess Their 'Crime'

CONSPIRACY INSPIRED BY MARSHAL TITO

BUDAPEST, Sept 22 (PTI-Reuter),

TREMBLING with emotion, defendants in the Hungarian Treason Trial today denounced themselves as agents of a conspiracy inspired by Marshal Tito's Yugoslav Government and "his masters in the west."

The sentence on M. Laszlo Rajk former Hungarian foreign minister, and seven other defendants will be prounced on Saturday.

Rajk declared: "whatever sentence you give me, I will agree that it is just".

Lieut. General George Palffy, former Chief of Staff of the Hungarian Army, said: "I deserve the highest sentence I violated by oath and I served the interests of the enemies of our people'.

FREE CONFESSION!

Lazar Brankov, former consellor of the Yugoslav Embassy in Budapest, said: "I stand before the People's Court and before the country which builds Socialism, as a man who still wants to stay honest, and therefore want to state that my confession was not made under pressure—that no force or drugs were used".

Other defendants are Dr. Tibor Szonyi, one-time central personnel secretary of the Hungarian Communists, Andras Szalai, his assistant, Dr. Paul Justus, former Vice-President of the Hungarian Radio, Bela Korondyn, police colonel in the Hungarian Ministry of the Interior, and Ivan Ognjenovic, a Yugoslav-Hungarian.

GOVT. OF INDIA'S ECONOMY DRIVE

Diplomatic Vacancies Not To Be Filled Up

NEW DELHI, Sept. 22. (P.T.I.): Posts falling vacant in India's diplomatic representation abroad, including those of Heads of Missions, will not be filled, in pursuance of the Government of India's economy drive, it is earned.

In accordance with this decision the post of Ambassador in Brazil, fallen vacant with Mr. M. R. Masani's return to India recently after the completion of his one year term, will not be filled.

Another ambassadorial post which is due to fall vacant shortly is that in Turkey. India's Ambassador in that country, Diwan Chamanlal, will be returning to India in the near future. A new Ambassador will not be appointed for the present.

Other economy measures which are being undertaken in the external Affairs Ministry include a reduction of five per cent in the salary bill and of ten per cent in the expenditure on travelling allowances and stoppage of direct recruitment to the Indian Foreign Service.

BIHAR WORKERS PARADE

Rally In Patna

PATNA, Sept. 22 (UPI)—A one-thousand-strong workers' rally was held at the Gandhi Maidan this evening under the auspices of the Bihar Provincial Trade Union Congress, attended by textile mills and cycle factory workers, as well as by rickshaw, porters and agricultural labour unions of the Patna District. Delegates of the Studenus Federation also addressed the rally.

The workers paraded the town in procession carrying Red flag and then assembled at the Gandhi Maidan where they were addressed by the delegates of the various unions.

The demands of the agricultural labourers were five seers of foodgrains per day or the cash equivalent to three seers, housing accommodation, abolition of serf labour grazing right to use forests as sources of fuel.

The Bihar cotton mill workers demanded cancellation of warrants of arrest against trade union leaders, the return of trade union files and documents and the termination of the lock-out at the mill.

MAKE GOODS FOR EXPORT

Monetary Fund Chief's Appeal

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22 (PTI-Reuter): Mr. Camille Gutt, Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund, today appealed to countries, which have devalued their currencies, to make goods available for export by cutting down home consumption, home investment and home government expenditures.

In a statement issued at a press conference here today, Mr. Gutt said the devaluation was not by itself a remedy for the trade disequilibrium.

He said, "The purpose of devaluation is to increase exports. That calls for leadership by governments and co-operation by their citizens to make goods available for export.

A REVOLUTION

"What has taken place in the last five days is really a revolution—a peaceful and useful revolution.

"It has been the first big public action towards the attainment of the purposes of the Monetary Fund.

"The exchange adjustment which is now taking place should provide the basis for a return to an expanding level of world trade on a multilateral basis, and this is one of the funds principal objectives".

THREE YEARS FOR LEAGUE "REBELS"

Frontier Sentences

PESHAWAR, Sept. 22. (UPI): Khan Tej Mohammad Khan of Turlandi, ex-Salar-i-Azam of the Muslim League National Guards, N.W.F.P., at present member of the Working Committee, Frontier Awami League, and Khan Ali Jan Khan of Swabi, member of the Working Committee, Frontier Awami Muslim League, were arrested in their respective villages and sentenced to three years' rigorous imprisonment each by the District Magistrate of Mardan on their refusal to comply with his demand for furnishing a security of Rs. 10,000 each.

U. N. ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS

India Was Not A Candidate

NEW DELHI, Sept. 22 (PTI)—Referring to the report from New York that India received four votes in the election for the office of the Vice-President of the United Nations Assembly, Authoritative sources here said that India was not a candidate for this office and that her name must have been put forward without the authority of the Indian Delegation.

TEN TIMES RENT FOR RIGHTS ON LAND

Pant's Offer To Kisans

KANPUR, Sept. 22 (PTI): Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant, the United Provinces Premier, told a gathering of kisans today that with the abolition of zamindari the peasants would be required to pay only ten times the annual rent for acquiring full zamindari rights over the land.

Pandit Pant, who was inaugurating the Zamindari Abolition Fond drive in Rukhraya, in Kanpur District, said that the Congress policy had always been to ameliorate the peasants lot and to enable them to live a healthy, happy and prosperous life so that they could contribute fully to the all round progress of the nation.

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THE GENERAL MANAGER, G. I. P. Railway, Bombay V.T., is prepared to receive sealed tenders by registered post upto 3 p.m. on Tuesday October 18, 1949 for excavation in moorum and rock and construction of reinforced concrete foundations for the extension to Kalyan Power House. Copies of tender forms, conditions of tender, drawings and other documents can be had from the Traction Superintendent, G. I. P. Railway, Victoria Terminus, Bombay on payment of Rs. 10/- per set which amount will not be refunded. 5798

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BOMBAY—B

7-30 a.m. As in Bombay—A 7-45 News (K) 8-0 Baswaraj Rajguru (Desi) 8-30 News (M) 8-45 Sushma Devrukhkar (Bhavgeet) 12-45 p.m. As in Bombay—A 12-50 News (M) 1-0 Sushma Devrukhkar (Bhavgeet) 1-10 Sangeet Saaj (Bhajan our Saaj) 1-40 News (H) 1-50 Mahila Mandal 4-20 As in Bombay—A 5-30 R. N. Paradkar (Marwa) 6-0 Gangadhar Udyawar (Multani) 6-15 Calling Rural Listeners 7-15 As in Bombay—A 7-30 Commercial News 7-45 News (K) 8-0 News (M) 8-15 Sheikh Chand 8-30 Simhavalokan (M) by W. L. Kulkarni 8-45 Kalindi Keskar (Kafi) 9-0 Baswaraj Rajguru (Drut Chhayanat) 9-30 Programme of music: Production: V. K. Dubey 9-45 History of Gandhian Philosophy: Talk by S. L. Silam 10-0 "Teen Patte" Roopak in Hindustani.

BARODA

7-30 a.m. Bansari Vadan By Bhanu Prasad Thakar 7-40 As in Ahmedabad 8-0 News (E) 8-15 Pakhawai Vadan By Jagannath Jagtap 8-30 "Geet Lahari" 8-45 News (G) 5-30 p.m. "Songs from the Screen" 6-30 News (E) 6-10 Munnir Khan (Sarangi Vadan) 6-25 Naginlal Somabhai Jadhav (Devotional) 6-35 Gramjano Mate 7-0 "Variety" 7-15 Munnir Khan (Sarangi) 7-30 Vatsala Nadkarni (Bhajan ane Pad) 7-45 Topic of Day 7-55 Musical Interlude 8-0 "Geeto" 8-10 Locals 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Munnir Khan (Sarangi) 8-45 Vatsala Nadkarni (Light Music) 9-0 News (E) 9-15 Bharatiya Sangeet 9-30 As in Ahmedabad.

AHMEDABAD

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THE WEATHER

POONA, Sept. 22 (PTI)—The following is the daily weather summary for Thursday.

Yesterday's deep depression has moved inland and is centered this morning near Khammameth in South East Hyderabad. It is likely to move betweeu west-north-west and North-west under influence of the depression, locally very heavy rain has fallen in the Konkan and the South Deccan. Rainfall has also been widespread in the North Bombay Deccan, Malabar and the North Madras coast and local in Mysore, Hyderabad and the Orissa coast.

FORCAST VALID UNTIL FRIDAY EVENING: Fainfall will be widespread in the West Deccan. Berar, the Konkan, Gujerat, Malabar and Mysore. There will be local rain in the East Deccan, the South and West Central Provinces, Madhya Bharat and Gangetic West Bengal and scattered showers in Assam, Bihar, Chota Nagpur, Vindhya Pradesh, South-East Madras and the Orissa-Circars coast.

HEAVY RAINFALL WARNING—Locally very heavy rain is likely in the North Bombay Deccan and the North Konkan and locally heavy rain in the South Bombay Deccan, the South Konkan, Berar and Malabar during the next 6 hours.

The following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum temparatures and rainfall during the past 24 hours from June 1st, 1949 and departure from normal recorded at 8-30 a.m. I.S.T. on September 22 1949: Ahmedabad 93 78 0 24.4 minus 3.3 Ahmednagar 81 70 1.8 11.5 minus 5.3 Akola 90 77 0 32.6 plus 6.9 Allahabad 94 78 0 33.4 minus 0.6 Baroda 92 72 0.3 25.9 minus 7.5 Bhopal 88 74 0 33.0 minus 12.0 Bhuj 90 75 0 21.0 plus 8.8 BOMBAY 80 73 14.7 85.4 plus 20.0 Cherrapunji 79 65 0.1 34 1.3 plus 37.1 Darjiling 69 57 0 97.5 minus 0.3 Devagad 77 74 44 63.0 Gaya 94 79 0 33.9 minus 5.6 Gwalior 77 0 23.3 Gorakhpur 96 82 0 49.3 plus 8.2 Gulbarga 81 69 1.1 21.6 plus 0.6 Hanamkonda 35 75 5 31.0 plus 2.7 Hornai 84 73 5.1 91.0 Honavar 84 74 0.5 10.3 Hyderabad (Dn.) 82 73 0.1 20.2 minus 0.7 Indore 87 71 0 31.4 plus 0.8 Jaipur 92 76 0 16.6 minus 4.3 Jamshedpur 77 0 45.6 Jubbulpore 91 74 0 40.4 minus 9.9 Kanpur 95 67 1.0 20.1 Khandwa 90 73 0 35.5 plus 9.3 Kolhapur 73 67 1.0 20.1 Kurnool 75 66 3.9 28.4 plus 11.7 Madras 84 77 0 18.9 plus 5.5 Mangalore 79 73 0.5 131.9 plus 24.1 Marmagau 77 73 1.2 96.2 plus 10.1 Masulipatam 80 73 1.5 34.5 plus 12.7 Mercara 62 2.0 96.1 minus 8.3 Mussoori 70 60 0 49.2 minus 22.7 Ootacamund 57 51 5 17.4 minus 7.6 Pachmarhi 60 0 71.7 puls 1.3 Poona 83 70 2.1 12.5 minus 5.6 Rajkot 92 75 0 23.1 plus 0.4 Shillong 78 60 0 48.0 minus 4.4 Sholapur 80 71 3.2 24.5 plus 5.9 Simla 71 57 0 40.6 minus 4.4 Surat 90 80 0 33.7 minus 4.8

DIVERTING THE FUNDS OF RELIGIOUS CHARITIES

Ahmedabad Member's Strong Opposition

POONA, Sept. 22. (PTI).

WHEN the Bombay Legislative Assembly met here today, Mr. Chandulal Parikh of Ahmedabad opposed bill to regulate the administration of public, religious and charitable trusts in the Province of Bombay on the grounds that it would interfere with the "sanctity of religion".

Mr. Chandulal Parikh agreed that there should be checks against malpractices and mismanagements in the trusts but he opposed the provision enaoling a Charity Commissioner to divert funds of religious charities to purposes other than those for which they were formed.

Mr. Parikh feared that wives of members would question them if they agreed to the bill.

Speaker: "Is the honourable member challenging the competency of the House to pass this legislation.

FACING WOMEN

Mr. Parikh: "No sir. But every five years the members of the House have to return to the voters 50 per cent of whom are women. They go to the temples and they would object to this legislation. I was only trying to point out that there is opposition to this bill in houses other than this one.

Mr. G. V. Momin of the Fourth Party opposed the inclusion of the Wakf Trusts in the scope of the bill and said Muslim institutions should have been given a chance to record their views in the matter as was done in the case of Hindu and Jain trusts.

He appreciated the laudable future aim of the Government that no charity should be used exclusively for the benefit of one particular community though the donor might belong to that community. But during the formative period of a secular State the feelings of the different communities should be taken into account.

WIDER AIM

Mr. Bhogilal Lala, supporting the bill, suggested the setting up of special tribunals to decide summarily charity cases.

Mr. J. H. Shamsuddin, member of the Fourth Party, said he accepted the principle that there should be control over the administration of trusts. But he felt that the bill had a wider aim and sought to reform the very notions of charity which were held in the past.

He pointed out that the bill enabled a Charity Commissioner, with the previous direction of a court, to substitute the objects of a trust. But, he said, the legislation as framed left no other alternative to the court but to grant the direction asked for by the Commissioner.

RAJKOT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

Independents Capture Halt The Seats

RAJKOT, Sept. 22. (PTI): About fifty per cent of the seats in Rajkot Town Municipality, namely 17 out of a total of 35, were captured by independent candidates, according to final results announced today. Eighty-seven candidates contested 35 seats and voting was nearly 45 per cent.

There was a triangular contest between the Local Self-Government Party (sponsored by the Congress) Socialist Party and independents. The Local Self-Government Party secured 13 seats, including two reserved seats for women which were uncontested and the Socialists five seats.

Municipal elections are being held all over Saurashtra, for the first time in many towns. The new Boards are to start functioning by October 2, Mahatma Gandhi's birthday.

The elections were held on the basis of joint electorates with reserved seats for women and Harijans and the franchise was the same as that for the Saurashtra Constituent Assembly, which is almost equal to adult franchise in operation. The system of voting was distributive.

Three towns returned their representatives unopposed while in Junagadh and Gondal, elections had to be postponed due to local disturbances.

The Congress Party did not contest elections but organised a "citizens party" in most of the towns.

DURGAH KHAWAJA SAHEB INQUIRY

G. G.'s Ordinance

NEW DELHI, Sept. 22. (PTI): The Governor-General has promulgated an ordinance which provdes for the appoint of an Interim Administrator for the Durgah Khawaja Saheb, Ajmer, pending inquiry into its affairs, announces an Extraordinary Government Gazette.

The ordinance which will be called the Durgah Khawaja Saheb (Emergency Provisions) Ordinance empowers the Central Government to vest the administration and control of the Durgah endowment in any person who will take the place of and supercede the Committee constituted under the Durgah Khawaja Saheb Act 1936.

Military Training For New Zealand Youth

WELLINGTON, (New Zealand), Sept. 22, (PTI-Reuter): New Zealand youth who are eihgteen, will do 14 week's full time military training followed by 60 days' part time service under a compulsory Military Training bill introduced in the House of Representatives today.

The peace-time military training scheme, which New Zealanders approved by an overwhelming majority in a recent referendum, will be spread over three years.

E. PUNJAB REDS ON HUNGER STRIKE

Demand Some More Concessions

SIMLA, Sept. 22. (UPI): Communist detenus in the various East Punjab jails have gone on hunger strike since September 20 last demanding certain concessions. An official communique announcing this, characterised the strike "as part of a pre-arranged propaganda plan" as detenus were earlier advised not to resort to hunger strike as their demands were under consideration.

Demands made by the detenus were: withdrawal of Safety Act, grant of family allowance and sundry allowance, increase in clothing allowance, classification in one special class, confinement in home districts, facilities regarding interviews, medical treatment etc.

The East Punjab Government adds the communique, have already considered these demands from time to time and have increased the scales of diet allowance and clothes and allowed the supply of toilet articles. Further concession regarding supply of books and periodicals and sitting for examination was also granted besides permission for keeping radio sets and 'hookahs' in jails.

On transfer from one jail to another or on release or parole or otherwise, 'A' class detenus have been allowed second class railway accommodation.

Family allowances have already been granted in deserving cases and more cases are under consideration, it is stated.

The Government are satisfied that the concessions allowed to detenus in this Province are more liberal than those allowed in many of the other Provinces, the communique concludes.

Fast Unto Death In Chandernagore

PROTEST AGAINST MERGER DELAY

CHANDERNAGORE, Sept. 22. (PTI): Mr. Sachin Modak, Secretary of the Congress Karma Parishad, Chandernagore, started a "fast unto death" at 10-30 a.m. today at Choudhury Ghat on the river bank near the office of the Administrative Council.

He has taken this step as a protest against the "failure" of the Administrative Council to secure, so far, the transference of Chandernagore to the Indian Union for which a vast majority of people of the settlement had voted during the last referendum, and also against the increase in electricity rates, as sanctioned by the Municipal Assembly recently.

The President of the Administrative Council and Municipal Assembly, Mr. Deben Dash, and a majority of the Assembly members are members of the Congress Karma Parishad, the executive of which will, it is learnt, soon meet to discuss the action of Mr. Modak, which they consider to be directed against members of his own party.

SOCIALISTS MIGHT GET A MAJORITY

Dr. Lohia's Optimism

BERLIN, Sept. 22, (PTI-Reuter): Dr. Ramanohar Lohia, Indian Socialist leader, stated in an interview published in the British linceced Social-Democrat today that in recent bye-elections, Indian Socialists obtained between 25 and 30 per cent of the votes cast.

"There is a possibility, although it does not appear very probable that the Socialist will obtain a majority in Parliament at the next General Elections due at the beginning of 1951," he added.

IMMOVABLE PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Prohibition In Delhi

NEW DELHI, Sept. 22, (UPI): The Central Government have decided to prohibit all transfers of immovable property, except with the previous approval in writing of the District Magistrate Delhi, within the Province of Delhi within the Province mbm Delhi for a period of 3 months from Sept. 20, 1949, says a gazette notification issued today.

BRIDGE COLLAPSES IN JAPAN

Ten Teachers Killed

TOKYO, Sept. 22, (PTI-Reuter): Ten Japanese teachers were killed and three seriously injured when a newly-constructed suspesion bridge collapsed into the Jintsu River near here today. Ten others, posing with them for group photograph, were hurled into the river. The bridge was to have been formally opened tomorrow.

UNCIP Report On Kashmir

EXPECTED TO REACH U. N. IN A MONTH

LAKE SUCCESS, Sept. 22 (PTI): The Kashmir Commission's report to the Security Council on the deadlock over the truce part of the three-point August resolution is not expected to reach United Nations headquarters until the middle of October, it was authoritatively learnt here writes D.P Wagle, PTI correspondent.

It is understood that the Commission is going to Geneva to write its report.

The Commission announced on Tuesday that in view of its suggestion of arbitration of the disputed issue not having gone through, it would "report to the Security Council on its activities since its last interim report".

Authoritative sources were unable to give any indications of the line of procedure the Commission would adopt in framing its report.

The stage up to which the last report to the Security Council had recorded the Commission's activities in Kashmir would be an important factor in assessing the difficulties the Commission had since encountered.

It was pointed out, however, that the first part of the August resolution 'the establishment of a cease-fire, had been agreed upon by the two sides and was now in operation.

Experts were unable to say whether the next starting point in the Security Council would be where the Commission actually met with a deadlock.

"It all depends on how the Commission frames its report", one source in touch with Kashmir affairs said.

United Nations sources said that the Kashmir Commission's report would be taken into consideration by the Security Council, probably before the end of October.

Commission To Publish India's Reply

SRINAGAR, Sept. 22. (PTI): The United Nations Kashmir Commission will release tomorrow, September 23, the correspondence which passed between the Commission and the Governments of India and Pakistan on the Commission's memorandum on arbitration, submitted to the two Governments on August 29 and 30.

The correspondence, it is stated, will give the Government of India's reasons for rejecting the Commission's proposals.

A statement by the Commission on the Kashmir situation is expected to be released on Saturday, September 24.

According to the Commission circles its forthcoming report to the Security Council is likely to take a line of action suggesting further steps to resolve the Kashmir issue.

TRAINNING CUM WORK CENTERS

NEW DELHI, Sept. 22 (PTI): The Rehabilitation Ministry of the Governmeint of India have sanctioned funds for the immediate establishment of a training Cum Work Centre at Bairagarh near Bhopal, it is learnt.

The centre will help the workers to set up their own cottage or small-scale industries on individual and co-operative basis. It will provide training and work to about 400 out of nearly 5,000 displaced Sindhis who will be moved to Bairagarh from Deoli Camp in Ajmer-Merwara.

A FANTASTIC RUMOUR

NEW DELHI Sept. 22, (PTI) According to official circles in Delhi, there is no basis for the rumours the Government of India are now circulating in Calcutta that carrying on negotiations with the United States Government for a loan of 370 million dollars against mortgage of the Indian railways to America.

Indo-Phillipine Air Agreement

NEW DELHI, Sept. 22. (PTI): Details of a bilateral air agreement between India and the Phillipines were finalised at a meeting of the representative delegations of the two countries here today.

Surat Combed For Goondas

SURAT, Sept. 22. (UPI): With a view to prevent occurrence of offences in the city, the District Superintendent of Police, Surat, along with his staff, recently organised combing of the whole city for "gondas" ad persons moving in suspicious circumstances and who are likely to commit offences at night time. As a result of this about 200 persons were arrested.

MILL RESTARTS

JAIPUR, Sept. 22. (PTI): The Maharaja Kishangarh Mills at Kishangarah, 30 miles from Jaipur, which put up a closure notice on August 1 will restart working from September 24. It was officially stated here yesterday. All the permanent workers of the mill will be absorbed.

Opium Shops To Be Closed On Gandhiji's Birthday

CALCUTTA, Sept. 22. (PTI): All Excise and opium shops in the Province will remain closed on Mahastami Day (Sept. 29) and on October 2, birthday of Mahatma Gandhi.

Polishing Rice Banned In East Punjab

SIMLA, Sept. 22, (UPI): East Punjab Government have banned the production of polished rice in the Province with effect from September 15. Mills have been accordingly directed.

MINES STRUCK AT CHITRAL

Biggest In Asia

PESHWAR, Sept. 22 (PTI-Reuter)—Four mines of lead, Sulpher, mercury and salt have been discovered in Chitral, according to the ruler of the State today

His Highness the Mehtar of Chitral said in an interview that according to a party of geologists surveying the sites of the mines in the State, the lead mine at Arkari in the Northern parts of Chitral, was expected to be the biggest mine in the whole of Asia.

All the mines, he stated, had been struck in northern areas of the State The sulpher mine had been located at Arkari, the mercury at Para Bik and the salt at Torikh.

PAK ALLEGATION DENIED

SRINAGAR, Sept. 22. (PTI)—Allegations in the Pakistan press that Indian Troops opened fire with rifles and light machine-guns on a Pakistan Picket at Krupan Wali Nallah on September 9 10 have been denied

The Government of India received a protest about the incident from Pakistan on September 14. The local Indian Commander was instructed immediately to carry out detailed investigations on the spot.

After a thorough enquiry, the allegation has been found to have "no basis whatsoever" as Indian troops never moved out of their positions in the area.

FOREIGN CONTROL OF

Ordinance Coming

KARACHI, Sept. 22 (PTI-Reuter): Legislative measure to ensure that foreign investments in Pakistan newspapers do not exceed 49 per cent and that control of editorial policy stays in Pakistani hands are being concidered by the Government here, according to usually reliable sources.

It was understood that an ordinance defining th eposition of foreign-owned newspapers would be promulgated shortly.

WOMEN SOCIALISTS RELEASED

AHMEDABAD, Sept. 22 (PTI)—Five women Socialist workers, arrested yesterday morning for offering satyagraha before the City Mill as a protest against its closure, have been released.

The mill is closed since September 1, due to accumulation of cloth.

New 'Economy' Plan For Kosi

PATNA, Sept. 22. (PTI): As there is likelihood of some delay in the finalisation of the one hundred-crore Kosi Dam Project, the Bihar Government have drawn up an interim 30-crore plan for constructing a weir across the Kosi at Chatra, it is learnt.

If the Central Government approve of the plan, it will be executed under the auspices of the Waterways, Power and Irrigation Commission of the Government of India.

Alignment Of Bhakra Dam

SIMLA, Sept. 22. (UPI): The work of alignment of Bhakra Dam has made sufficient progress. The alignment of Barwala branch has been completed and approved necessary designs and estimates for starting the construction of this branch are being prepared.

Heavy Rains In Karwar

KARWAR, Sept. 21, (PTI): Heavy rainfall here is causing anxiety to cultivators who fear that their standing paddy crops almost ready for harvesting, would suffer considerably damage. About 14 inches of rainfall has been recorded during the last fortnight. Fields in low area are inundated.

Two Persons Drowned

KARWAR, Sept. 21, (PTI) Two persons were drowned when a ferry boat capsized the River Kali, in Mallapur, 16 miles from here.

Three people were rescued by a passing ferry.

Simla Women To Give Up A Day's Ration

SIMLA, Sept. 22. (PTI): As a step to ease the food situation, a meeting of prominent Simla women under the chairmanship of Lady Trivedi, wife of the East Punjab Governor decided to forego a day's ration in a week.

The meeting was sponsored by the Ladies Club, Simla.

Training In Tractor Driving To Continue

The Tractor Drivers Class at Poona will be continued for another year. Under the scheme, which was sanctioned in October last for one year, in the first instance, 40 candidates were trained in tractor driving. The Government of Bombay has now decided to continue the scheme for one more year for training 40 more candidates, at a cost of Rs. 4,700.

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FOREIGN FILMS

Dana Andrews and Maureen Ohara in "The Forbidden Street"

She Left A Life Of Ease To Choose Love

"FORBIDDEN STREET" IS AN UNUSUAL FILM

ONE of the first pictures to be made under the new Twentieth Century-Fox "global" plan of motion picture production is the "The Forbidden Street", the new film starring Dana Andrews and Maureen O'Hara which opens at the New Empire Theatre.

The studio sent the stars, together with Director Jean Negulesco and Producer William Perlberg to London for the film version of the beat-selling novel, "Britannia Mews", by Margery Sharp. With this group as a nucleus, the company assembled a topflight cast of out-standing English stage and screen players to enact the story in its original locale.

"The Forbidden Story" is the story of Adelaide Culver a girl who forsakes her family's fashionable London home for her art teacher, only to find domestic drudgery and unhappiness in the slums of London's "mews", which are narrow cobble-lined", which ways lined by stables that have been converted into shops and quarters designed for coachmen and grooms.

When tragedy intervenes, Adelaide feels she can again regain the life she had known, but the machinations of a black-mailer keeps her in the mews. Soon, however, a charming, ne'er-do-well lawyer comes into her life and this time she is rewarded with the happiness she so richly deserves.

Maureen O'Hara enacts the role of the fortnight, independent yet appealing Adelaide who, despite her reduced position in life, keeps up her appearances and hopes. To Dana Andrews is entrusted a difficult dual role-he is seen as both men in Adelaide's life-the sensitive artistic Henry who loses his battle with life, and the gay, yet penurious lawyer who ultimately brings happiness into Adelaide's cheerless existence.

Heading the distinguished cast of the picture are Dame Sybil Thorndike, Diane Hart, Anne Butchart.

The screen play is by Ring Lardner, Jr., based on Miss Sharp's novel.

"SNAKE PIT" COMES BACK

Absorbing Story At The Strand

DARRYL F. ZANUCK'S presentation of "The Snake Pit" which is coming back at the Strand Cinema, is a motion picture that is destined to rank as one of Hollywood's finest efforts. Based on Mary Kane Ward's best-selling novel, the film is a realistic portrayal of a compelling love story, an emotional drama on a rare and pregnant theme.

"The Snake Pit" is great entertainment. For in addition to the love story, there is pathos, sympathy, understanding and emotion. It has all these, plus humour and faith, the striving for security and mental calm which combine into one all-encompassing. beautifulyl produced motion picture.

COMPELLING STORY

In the able hands of Director Anatole Litvak, who with Robert Bassler co-produced the film, the story moves swiftly, surely through a series of carefully contrived flashbacks which tell the compelling story of Virginia Cunningham. Tracing the insidious forces that lead to her breakdown, the film honestly and accurately pictures Virginia's experiences inside a hospital where a succesful attempt is made to restore her normal place in society.

Olivia de Havilland's performance as Virginia is brilliant. It is a portrayal that has fire force and compelling drive, marking her as the screen's outstanding dramatic actress. Her complete mastery of the demanding role marks a climax to her distinguished career.

"The Snake Pit" rates with the best.....it is a "must see" for every list.

Leo Glun as Dr. Kih in "Snake Pit"

9th WEEK | **STORY** that is most talked about

KANEEZ

Director: KRISHNAKUMAR
Music: GHULAMHAIDER

SUPER

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A GRAND Pictures Release

Marx Brothers For The Week End

M.-G.-M.'s reprint "A Night at the Opera" starring that zanny trio of comedians—Marx Bros—has proved very popular at the Metro, where it is being held over for the week-end only. Here is an opportunity for those who have not yet seen this outstanding comedy to see it before next Tuesday.

Britain To Recognise Chinese Red Govt.

DECISION IN VIEW OF HER COMMERCIAL STAKE

America Still Undecided

LONDON, Sept. 21. (PTI-Reuter).

BRITAIN has definitely decided to extend de facto recognition to a Chinese Communist Government as soon as this is proclaimed, it was believed in usually well informed quarters in London today.

This decision, it was thought, was the outcome of the Foreign Ministers' discussions on the Far East held in Washington last week firstly between Mr. Ernest Bevin and Mr. Dean Acheson alone and later with M. Robert Schuman of France.

The United States Government, it was believed here, has not yet taken up a definite attitude. In the Washington talks, the Foreign Ministers were believed to have recognised frankly that Britain's greater commercial stake in China placed the two governments in rather different positions.

In reply to a question, the Foreign Office spokesman today said that so far no specific instructions had gone to the British Ambassador in Nanking, Sir Ralpha Skrine Stevenson, asking him to leave for consultations with British officials. The decision to recall him had already been announced, however, and the despatch of recall instructions was now regarded as imminent.

CHIANG AT KUNMING

Canton: Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek left old wartime capital of Chungking this morning for Canton by way of Kunming, chief of Yunnan Province on the Burma border.

At Kunming he conferred with the Yunnan Governor-General Lu Han who ten days ago was reported to have decided to reorganise his provincial government after conferences at Chungking with the Generalissimo.

General Chiang has spent the past few weeks at Cungking trying to iron out differences among West China leaders. A Nationalist military spokesman said here today that Communist General Lim Pi-ho's forces in Eastern Hunnan had crossed the Mi River south-east of Hengyang. Their immediate objective he said, was Leiyang, south of Hengyang and on the railway from the Yangtse river port of Hankow to Canton.

NO POWDER OR ROUGE

CAIRO:—Ahmed Mursy Badr Bey, the Egyptian Minister of Education, has added another item on his list of no-can-do's to Egyptian girls.

To maintain the dignity of education institutions, women teachers and school girls may not use cosmetics and must wear long-sleeved and ankle-length dresses as from the beginning of the next School year.

An order to this effect has been circulated by the Minister to headmistresses of Government girl schools throughout the country.

Badr Bey recently banned Egyption girl students from going abroad because two girls studying in Swizerland got married without the consent of their families. He abolished ballet dancing from girl schools because in his opinion, it does not fit in with Egyptian customs, and banned bathing beauty contests in Government pools. The Minister's decision raised a storm in the Egyptian Press and women of all walks of life protested.

During a recent visit to the Secondary Girds School, Badr Bey, accepted to be photographed with the mistresses, but asked them not to believe that he was at war with the fair sex. P.T.I.—Reuter.

MICHURIAN STAMPS

MOSCOW—New postage stamps are being issued in honour of Michurin, the pioneer Soviet selectionist whose teachings are embodied in all practical and theoretical Soviet biological work today.

BRITISH SHIP RELEASED

Returns To Hong Kong Without Cargo

HONG KONG, Sept. 22. (PTI-Reuter): British Vice-Admiral A. C. G. Madden, Second-in-Command, Far East Station, declared tonight it was not the British Navy's duty to help ships through the Chinese Nationalist blockade.

British ships sailing to North China had been told of the risks of attempting to enter Shanghai since in Naval opinion the closure was effective and the likelihood of interruption high, he said in a statement to the press.

Shipping companies had been warned, he added, that any approach to the Yangtse light ship would be construed as an intention to proceed to Shanghai.

None of the signals of the "Edith Moller", 800-ton British-owned vessel detained by the Chinese Nationalists for nearly a month, had been picked up by British warships off the Yangtse, it was understood here unofficially.

"The 'Edith Miller' returned to Hong Kong yesterday.

Before she was released after vigorous diplomatic protests by the British Embassy representative in Canton, her entire cargo of 350 tons was confiscated.

On her way back to Hong Kong she was shelled by a Chinese Nationalist warship one day out of Tinghai, the Chusan Island port in the Straits of Formosa where she had been detained.

Another British ship, the "Leong Bee" is still detained at Tinghai.

Vice-Admiral Madden said his statement today in no way implied that Britain recognised the legality of the Nationalist ships' actions.

JUTE FUTURES BANNED IN BENGAL

CALCUTTA, Sept. 22 (PTI)—The Governor of West Bengal has today promulgated an ordinance empowering the Provincial Government to prohibit contracts relating to jute goods futures.

The West Bengal Jute Goods Futures Ordinance, as it is called, comes into force immediately and extends to the whole of West Bengal.

It authorises the Provincial Government to prohibit by notification the making of contracts relating to jute goods futures and provides that no person after such notification shall make any contract or pay or receive any margin beyond the extent to which such payment or receipt of margin is allowable on the basis of the last closing rate in a notified market.

Any contravention of the provisions of the ordinance shall be punishable with imprisonment which may extend to one year, or with fine, up to one thousand or with both.

DEVALUATION HITS PUJA TRAFFIC!

Goods Bookings Suspended

CALCUTTA, Sept. 22 (PTI)—The new exchange rates announced by the Pakistan Government yesterday have dislocated the pre--Puja goods traffic from Calcutta to Eastern Pakistan.

Although tickets are being issued to passengers bound for East Bengal Districts, at their prevailing rates, all bookings of goods and parcels by rail, steamer or by air have been suspended, pending the Government of India's decision on the readjustment measures to be taken to meet the situation. Personal luggage is, however, being allowed.

According to the railway officials at Sealdah, the Puja exodus, which was considerably greater this year, has not so far been affected by the Pakistan exchange rate decision, and the authorities propose to run three Puja specials from tomorrow for the convenience of East Pakistan-bound passengers.

STORY ABOUT SHADY DEALS IN DISPOSAL GOODS

"The Bribe," An Arresting Drama

OPENING from Tuesday at the Mero is M-G-M.'s romantic adventure drama "THE BRIBE" starring Robert Taylor, Ava Gardner and Charle s Laughton with Vincent Price and John Hodiak in support.

Laid in a picturesque island fishing village off the cost of Central America with its pivotal characters, a Government agent and girl who he suspects of being a member of gang of swindlers, here is ideal material for trigger quick screen drama. It is a tense, driving story that weaves its mystery its unusual romantic motivation and its surprise climax into a creditable whole, with a plot marked by sometimes sinister, sometimes eccentric but always contrasting and arresting persanalties.

Robert Taylor plays Rigby, young Government agent assigned to find evidence which will track down the swindlers behind the false condemning of surplus airplane motors which are being sold for scrap reassembled in Central Africa and illegally disposed of. It is Rigby, whose honour and integrity are challenged when he falls desperately in love with Elizabeth (Ava Gardner) entertainer in a cheap local cafe.

Also involved are Elizabeth's alcoholic husband, Tug (John Hodiak) the week swinish Bealer (Chales Laughton) and seemingly respectable oil man, Carwood (Vincent Price) The intrigues by which the various swindlers attempt to out wit not only Rigby but each other, the suspense engendered before Rigby can determine whether the girl he loves is guilty or merely a tool of the others, and the final devious turns by which the true criminals are brought to light make for escapist thrill drama of absorbing interest.

Taylor, as the agent and Miss Gardner, as the torch singer to whom he is irrestibly drawn, from an arresting new team. Vincent Price as the murderous Carwood. Tito Renaldo as of courageous native boy and Martin Garragala as his equally herold father come out ereditable.

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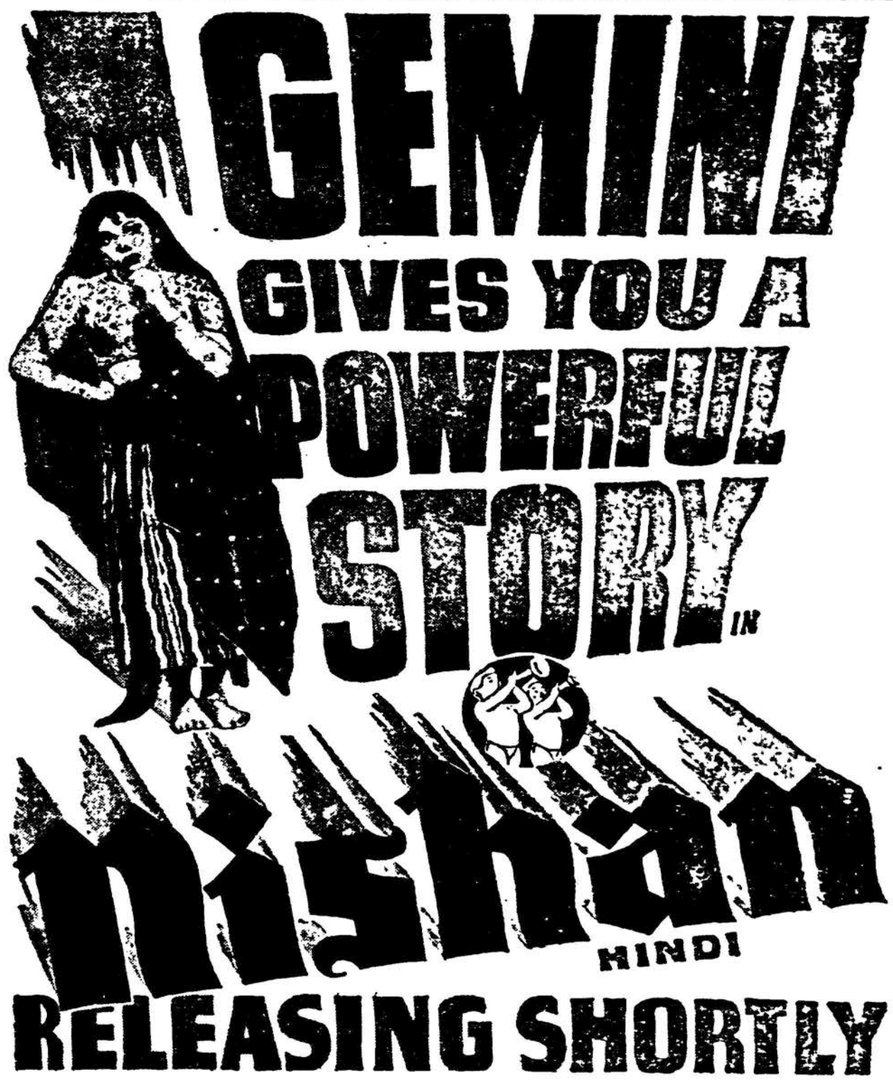

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A blind man knows he cannot see, and is glad to be led, thought it be but by a dog; but he that is blind in his understanding, which is the worst blindness of all, believes he sees as the best, and scorns a guide.

—S. BUTLER.

KASHMIR AND U.N.

The U. N. Commission's referring back the Kashmir controversy to the Security Council is an act which has been evaded for a long time but which was inevitable. The Commission had gone about its work in an exceedingly confused manner, more concerned in settling differences by a process of adjustment than in asserting the principles of the U. N. Charter. It had even been drawn into the doubtful expedient of saying one thing to India and another to Pakistan. And moving from confusion to chaos, it has tangled itself into a hopeless state. The only way out was to end the Commission's compromised existence and to focus world attention on the issues in dispute. Naturally the members of the Commission have taken time to reach this solution and in their effort not to admit failure they sought to empower an arbitrator who would function as virtual agent of the Commission. Since the arbitration was to relate to the very issues that had been equivocally dealt with by the U. N. Commission, and on which the Indian stand had been clear and uncompromising, the suggestion was not acceptable to the Government of India. The fact that Pakistan had agreed was sufficiently misleading to call down on the devoted Indian head the wrath of several British journalists and newspapers. But seeing that neither persuations nor threats moved the Indian Government from its stand, the Commission, after allowing a fair interval, for second thought, has decided to report back to United Nations. A fresh approach is thus made possible and it would be helpful if the U. N. Commission's own mentality and technique were looked at a little closely. Where mistakes have been made, it can help if they are pointed out and admitted and corrected for the future.

It is necessary that India's delegates should press the Indian case more strongly than has been done hitherto. In the first place, it should be made clear that the Kashmir decision is not one that is to be taken on communal lines. The majority of the population being Muslim does not in any way imply a verdict for accession to Pakistan. Unfortunately, this is commonly held to be so outside India. Secondly, a difference between Pakistan and India in regard to Kashmir has to be asserted again and again. Pakistan is there as an aggressor, India is present to relieve the local inhabitant from the depredation of the raiders. Thirdly, India has to state categorically that the accession of Kashmir is effected by the decision of the established Government is tentative only in so far as it is subject to the verdict of the people of Kashmir, expressed in a free plebiscite. It cannot be overturned by instigation of revolt from outside or by international intrigue. It should be made clear that if any effort is directed towards underhand dealings, India would go ahead with implementing accession. It is essential to this securing of a free plebiscite that the aggressor is forced to remove himself from Kashmir territory. It is a fundamental part of the international law that the status quo should be restored before peace talks between aggressor and aggresee are undertaken. There is no reason why this rule should be set at nought in the case of Pakistan's aggression on Kashmir.

By its failure to state its position clearly and stand firm, Indian Government has allowed a situation to develop which is detrimental to peace and stability in Kashmir and in Asia. The Pakistan Dominion has passed from excess to excess, emboldened by the pliability of the U. N. Commission and the concession made by India. The reference to the Security Council affords an opportunity to wipe the slate clean and establish India's firm position. We should avail ourselves fully of this chance.

Students And Politics

There was a time when the Congress held undisputed sway over the student world. Thousands had left schools and colleges to participate in the freedom struggle. The Youth League and its junior version "Vanar Sena" was a force to reckon with. Few "hartals", procession, meetings or boycott movements were complete without the student partaking in them. Thousands of careers were ruined but the sacrifice was worth it because they were soldiers in the battle of freedom. But with the coming of freedom the emphasis has shifted to other things our leaders have been dinning into the ears of students that their first duty is to study and prepare themselves to be good citizens. Unfortunately, this sane advice is not heeded much. Daily there is news about student demonstrations in some part of the country or the other. Opposition leaders find enough excuse in the economic crisis and post-war difficulties to exploit the youth for political agitation. School children and college students find in slogan shouting and hartals a better diversion than studying in class rooms. They are eager to participate in agitations which in these times should be left to their elders. They become willing tools in the hands of unscrupulous politicians, little realising that such actions hurt them more than the authority they are agitating against. At times they go out of hand. There is a moral to be drawn from the report published yesterday, which states that 300 school children looted a railway station in Assam and snatched the rifle of the armed guard. We have found it to our sorrow that the Congress hold on students has become weak. The student unions are controlled by political parties through youngmen, who have ceased to be students years ago. The Communists, who control one of the two leading unions are deliberately fanning students' enthusiasm into hysteria. To serve their own ends they even egg on students to violence. Several reports from Bengal bear witness to this.

The obvious reasons for the student unrest is the high cost of education and the sense of frustration which the student feels when he realises that his education gives him very little returns. When one probes deeper, several fundamental defects are discovered. Our education is faulty because it is incomplete. We rarely hear of student demonstrations in western countries. Because the student there has enough activities to engage in his leisure. Every school and college there has provision for extra-curricular activities, which train both mind and body. It is in the hands of our educational ministers to do the same. Every school should have Boy Scout and Girl Guide troupes, which build character and fellowship, hobby clubs which co-ordinate mind and body, excursion parties which open new vistas and debating societies which give confidence in expression. There should be more emphasis on sport in which all pupils can participate. Today, all these things are done only in schools for the rich. The Government must make it possible for every school to introduce these activities. With the shifting of emphasis away from examination, we hope that the Government will pay more attention to these citizen-building activities. Youthful enthusiasm cannot be curbed but must be diverted into useful channels. If you leave them idle they are bound to fall in the clutches of unscrupulous politicians whose propaganda either about "Bharat Dharma" or socialist utopia finds ready response in their impressionable minds.

It is no use telling the student to keep away from politics. They should be familiar with the problems of the day. It is the duty of the political worker and the teacher to explain the intricacies of politics. The knowledge should not be denied to students only they should be told that is not for the student to enter in politics, till he is equipped to do so by completing his education. That urgency, when even students were conscripted for the freedom struggle, is no longer there. The students will be doing their duty if they educate themselves to be good citizens of India.

Also the student movement has to be given a new direction and must be free from control by political parties, A few months ago there was a move by some leaders like Babu Rajendra Prasad and Jayaprakash Narayan to form a students' organisation on non-political basis. Unfortunately, nothing has come out of it so far. It is a move worth pursuing again.

Tete-a-Tete

WITHOUT COMMENT

CALCUTTA, Sept. 22 (PTI)—All excise and opium shops in the province will remain closed on Mahastami Day (September 29) and on October 2, birthday of Mahatma Gandhi.

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Opening the Dutch Parliament, Queen Juliana hoped the Hague R.T.C. would lead to "co-operation on a footing of equality between the peoples of a free and sovereign Netherlands and a free and sovereign Indonesia".

And how do Her Majesty's Ministers define "equality" and "a free and sovereign Indonesia"?

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Arriving at New York, M. Andrei Vyshinsky declared the Soviet Government was fully confident that the U.N. represented "a serious instrument for the maintenance of peace and international security".

Another joke.

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The United States, says a Washington message, on Monday charged Rumania, Bulgaria and Hungary with "a serious new breach of treaty obligations". The notes it is added, were the latest moves in a continuing series of diplomatic exchanges in which Britain and America charged the three consitries with violations of the Human Rights clauses of the peace treaties.

We are glad to think that the fun will continue.

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Sir B. Narsing Rau, leader of the Indian Delegation, told the U. N. General Assembly that India would continue to judge each question before the world body "on its merits". He said that India did so now, and had always done so in the past.

Unfortunately, "merits alone" are not enough, as any applicant to a job knows.

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"So far as Kashmir is concerned, we are not opposed to arbitration in principle", said Sir B. N. Rau.

Sir B. N. Rau must not forget that "principles" are dangerous things. Mr. Jinnah started with the statement that if India agreed to the "principle" of partition, everything else could be arranged satisfactorily. See where that "principle" has landed us now.

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Portugal has devalued the Escudo about 15 per cent in relation to the United States dollar.

Travellers to Damaun will be thankful.

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South Africa has declined an American loan because it would have meant U. S. interfearence in the internal affairs of the country.

Dr. Malan's apprehension is understandable. There is much in South Africa that are distinctly not for civilised eyes.

RED THREAT TO WORLD LABOUR SOLIDARITY

By Herbert Tracey

Member of the British T.U.C. and Editor of its official journal "Labour".

THE CAMPAIGN against Communism within the trade union movement now enters upon its most active phase. So far as British trade unions are concerned, the discussion of this problem at the T.U.C. recently held at Bridlington placed beyond all question the determination of responsible executives to deal firmly wit disruptive elements inside each organisation.

The Congress endorsed, by overwhelming votes, the action taken by the T.U.C. General Council in exposing Communist activities and warning unions against further infiltration of these mischievous influences, and from now on vigorous steps will be taken to counteract them.

STRONG GRIP

It is not going to be easy to rid the British trade union movement of those that have secured a footing in a number of unions. An analysis of the voting at the Bridlington Congress showed that the Communist grip was still strong in a very small number of unions and it would appear that between 600,000 and 700,000 votes —out of the 8,000,000 members represented—were under Communist control. There is, however, good ground for saying that a very large proportion of the votes recorded against the General Council's policy will cease to adhere to the Communist line as the full meaning of the debates at Bridlington is carried back to unions by their delegations.

There is also a growing volume of evidence to show that in the international trade union movement, as well as in Britain, the Communist effort to secure control has been brought to a standstill. It is, indeed, within the international movement that the main battle will now be carried on.

NEW OFFENSIVE

In the discussion at Bridlington, Mr. Arthur Deakin, speaking with all the weight of his authority and experience as former President of the World Federation of Trade Unions, warned the Congress that the new phase of the Communist attack on the solidarity of international trade unionism must be repulsed. He referred speciall to the W.F.T.P. attempt to set up trade departments in opposition to established international trade secretariats.

Mr. Deakin said that unions affiliated to the T.U.C. and other national centres were being invited to send representatives to the conferences called by the W.F.T.U. for the purpose of setting up such trade departments. He declared that any unions that responded to this invitation to associate themselves with W.F.T.U. schemes of this nature would be disloyal to their pledges in support of T.U.C. policy. What Mr. Deakin had in mind particularly was the action taken by the W.F.T.U. in setting up a dockers' and seamen's trade department. The existing secretariat of unions in this section of the international movement—the International Transport Workers' Federation—has already taken effective steps to counteract the Communist manoeuvre.

MARITIME UNIONS' OPPOSITION.

The I.T.F. convened, just before the Bridlington Congress assembled, a joint conference in Rotterdam to consider this new threat to international trade union unity. Representatives of Dockers' and Seafarers' Unions in 13 countries attached to the I.T.F. attended this conference, which devoted two full days to considering the action they could take.

Reports were presented by delegates from Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Britain, Greece, Holland, Ireland, Italy, Norway, Sweden and the U.S.A. which revealed the active opposition of maritime unions in all of them to Communist attempts to infiltrate and disrupt them, or to set up rival unions against dockers and seafarers. These reports showed remarkable unanimity on the need to maintain string defences among the free trade unions.

The decisions taken at the Rotterdam conference were embodied in a lengthy resolution. In its preamble it referred to the reports from accredited union representatives in maritime and waterfront industries concerning the "marked recurrence of disruptive activities of Communist and crypto-Communist organisations" in recent times. These activities, said the resolution, are calculated "to dislocate trade and thereby frustrate economic recovery in several countries". It declared that the real object the Communists have in view is "to subordinate the free organisations and sacrifice members' interests to the designs of Soviet foreign policy".

WORKERS WARNED

The I.T.F. resolution went on to issue a serious warning to workers in all countries to be on their guard and to be ready to meet the Communist challenge. It authorised the I.T.F. Executive Council to "take all action in the field of organisation and publicity as well as financial and other measures necessary to conduct and co-ordinate the anti-Communist campaign on national and international planes".

Further, it gave a pledge that it would afford all possible support, "material and moral", to those who carry on the fight "for the recovery and maintenance of the principles of free trade union organisation in countries where totalitarian tendencies have gained the upper hand". It proclaimed the readiness of the I.T.F. to "co-operate with all free trade union and other bodies for the furtherance of common aims."

In another resolution, the Rotterdam conference categorically denounced the new W.F.T.U. dockers' and seafarers' department as an organisation that "will not be used for promoting the interests of dockers and seafarers"; it asserted that membership of this new department or any

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

The Rains Came

Nature is a great practical joker. This time last year, anxious eyes were looking at the skies for rain, but in vain. What threatened to be a water famine was averted by another grim catostrohe, the cyclone. Property worth crores was destroyed, but it also brought enough water to Bombay's harassed citizens. This year we thought we were very well off, with Tansa overflowing at the right time, without a cylone, but Nature evidently has thought otherwise. We have had a gift, a record one for two decades, of nearly 20 inches of rainfall, and what has been our reaction? Only annoyance that our placid programme should be disturbed. Getting out of the office at five a.m. after nine hours of night duty and finding that there will be no train to take you back home is a rather irritating experience, and at such a time one is not in a position to appreciate the finer points of the gift.

HELPLESS?

The torrential rains have brought home one fact to Bombay's citizens with a painful force: this island, however much it can boast of its "modernity" is at the mercy of the elements when it comes to a showdown. Even the Bombay Government which has always met coercive tactics with unyielding firmness has had to yield to the challenge of the skies. The day had to be declared a public holiday, and overworked clerks in banking firms must have silently thanked Sir Stafford Cripps and the weather for giving them a four-day respite. To many the telephone was the only means of contact, and that too was only a fitful means. Bombay's waterlogged streets were a grim reminder that the city's drainage system is not built to hold more than five inches of continuous rain. As regards the suburban train service, twenty inches of rain are not needed to dislocate it. Usually, the rains have a great friend in the gharrywallah, but yesterday, even he—or was it his horse?—refused to venture out in any strength. It was left to the taxis to ply a busy and a profitable trade, but those who were not able to afford the cost, might have felt a vacarious pleasure in the knowledge that many of them were stranded in streets where water was more than knee-deep All in all, it was a day which Bombay cannot forget easily.

Not So Easy

The Economic Review of the A.I.C.C. has suggested the appointment of an Industrial Commissioner on the lines of the Food Commissioner to gear the industrial resources of the country on a war footing. If it was only the matter of an appointment of an official that was holding up production, the remedy would have been applied long ago. One of the reasons for India's industrial production falling is the fact that its machinery was overworked during the war with no prospect of replacement of parts. To make it work on a "war footing" again is asking for the impossible, and if it is done in some instances, it will certainly lead to further deterioration later on. India's productive capacity is not so bad as it is made out to be, but its weaknesses are emphasised by other factors like faulty transport arrangements and the greed of individual capitalists in some cases to create scarcity conditions to boost prices. India is mainly an agricultural country and there are indications that production on this front, aided by favourable weather conditions, is on the increase. Once food imports are stopped and the money utilised for replacement of spare parts, industrial production will grow up. The danger that threatens India's economy is the currency crisis sought to be engineered by Pakistan, and if the men at the heim of India's financial affairs pilot us through the dangerous shoals, we will pull through.

Noise And Reward

The problem of the starving millions will not be solved, unless cottage industries are encouraged by the Central and Provincial Governments on some organised basis. A statement to this effect was made by Mr. Abdul Quayum Ausari, Bihar's Minister for Industry and Public workers, while addressing the United Provinces Industries Conference at Lucknow. The necessity of extending encouragement to college industries has been accepted by the Central and Provincial Governments, but the place of such industries in the plan of industrial organisation requires to be precisely defined. Mr. Ansari should have discussed his view-point regarding 'organised basis'. He referred to another point that there was a fight for profit-sharing by industrial labour, whereas the cottage-industry workers did not get a fair price for their products. There is some truth in what he said. The cottage workers do not shout as loudly as factory employees and are, therefore, not heard quickly but their care must be taken into consideration Cottage-industries are highly spoken of in conferences and committees, but real encouragement to them should be counted in the terms of what workers have actually began to receive since the new industrial policy was initiated. Praises and sweet words do not relieve poverty.

Protecting Malaya

Arising from the Communist bandit situation in Malaya, security measures affecting labour are to be tightened from November 1. So runs a report from Kaula Lumpur. And it is interesting news. These security measures —incidentally, no fewer than 200,000 Indian labour workers also are involved—are exceptionally elaborate and likely to cause a great deal of hardship too. Plantations, mines and certain other industries will not be able from November 1, to engage any workman unless he has an identity card. These industries have also to keep a register of all work men complete with their photographs and particulars of their dependants living on them. All this is supposed to be a fool proof precaution to secure industries, plantations and mines against Communist propaganda and activities. But it inevitably reminds one of Mr. Malcoln Mac Donald's assurance that Communist terrorist activities in Malaya had been decisively crushed. If so, where is the need for the new "security measures"? Or maybe they are intended as a safeguard for the future. But no safeguard, however, elaborate and however allegedly foolproof, can remain effective for long as long as causes, economic, social and political that fundamentally create discontent, are not effectively removed. Discontent cannot be crushed by identity cards. It will find ways of getting round them. And by the way, is it a principle of Democratic or Fascist administration to check prospective sinners by the threat of visiting their sins on their dependents?

OUR READERS VIEWS

"Invasion" Of Newspaper Industry

Several of the old established newspapers in India have so far refrained from commenting on the threat of American invation of the Indian newspaper industry. The All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference may be said to be watching the situation. A leading member of this organisation told me "The situation has not assumed dangerous proportions. It is for the Government to act." The Minister for Information in the Government of India has stated in an interview at Lucknow that if some foreign-sponsored newspapers are started in India we cannot come out in a panicky fashion, but the Government of India are watching this situation.

From Pakistan, where the oldest established newspaper, THE CIVIL AND MILITARY GAZETTE had been purchased by the American Syndicate, comes the report that the Government there would shortly introduce legislation to prevent foreigners owning newspapers.

The movements of Mr. M. J. Margolin, representative of the American Syndicate out to purchase new papers in India and Pakistan and other Asian countries, have not been reported after his statement to the Press Trust of India in New Delhi, where there is the strongest concentration of Press representatives, Indian and foreign, numbering 120. It cannot be that every one of them takes the same non-panicky view as the Minister for Information.

Because India is a party to the decision on Freedom of Information at International Conference we should not allow the danger of foreign invasion in the Indian newspaper industry to grow into any proportions. The dangerous implications of the American move in respect of the newspaper industry of a nation like India that is just free from political bondage and wishes to be economically strong, may perhaps be best illustrated by a reference to a conversation I had in Italy with a very senior official in the External Affairs Ministry in Rome when Sgr. Mussolini was at the height of power and his Government had, despite criticism of foreigners placed an embargo on the purchase of Italian newspapers by foreigners.

In the course of my conversation I referred to the complaint I had heard from a few foreign Press correspondents in Rome. The reply given to me by the Italian official whom I had seen and known in Simla and Delhi for several years was as follows: "You know that in India foreigners start or run newspapers with the help of your custom. They do not stop at that, but ridicule you and bringing you down in your own esteem by making out that you are unfit to govern yourselves. They so manipulate news and views as to make you appear that you are a progressively deteriorating race. The same thing was done in Italy by foreign journalists; and Mussolini, when he came to power, removed the root cause of the mischief by an order that no foreigner should have any interest in any Italian newspaper. I may tell you that since that order was enforced we Italians have come to be recognised as a better race by the British and other journalists and Italy, which used to be called a third rate nation is now being looked upon as among the first rate nations of the world."

The psy chology underlying the decision of the Mussolini Government could be appreciated even through Italy for various reasons, collapsed as a nation in the Second World War.

I desire only to add that complacency is worse than being panicky.

Madras. —A. S. IYENGAR

Repercussions Of Dollar Imperialism

The issue on which Sir Stafford Cripps threatened to resign about three months back has at last come into effect. Even he had to bow down before the might of Dollar Imperialism. The devaluation of the Sterling followed by that of the Rupee has become a fact. The immediate result will be that all American goods will become much dearer and the merchant community will be profited to the extent of a few hundred million rupees, by the rise in prices for the stocks already held by them.

The fundamental purpose with which this move has been effected—viz., increase in the exports from Sterling to Dollar area, will be defeated. America has reached the peak of production level; in fact, economists and industrialists there are expecting a fall in production soon if they do not keep up the present level of their exports. If the exports of raw materials and commodities from the Sterling into the Dollar Areas are not freer and voluminous, it is not because the cost of these is high but because America does not want and cannot take in more. Hence if our economists think that there will be a large increase in exports from Sterling Areas to the Dollar side, coming events will belie their expectations. For the small increase in the volume of exports due to cheaper prices will still earn less Dollars owing to devaluation. As a result the adverse trade balance which India has at the moment will still remain.

On the other hand the cost of Capital Goods, since they are mostly from Dollar Areas will increase, thus in the end increasing the cost of production and the whole brunt will have to be borne by the consumer local, which is one of the major items of our imports will also cost more, thus affecting the common man.

A country having an adverse balance of trade, and large imports cannot save itself by these economic juggleries like devaluation. On the other hand its problems will be more difficult to solve and the economic crisis will only deepen by these half-hearted moves in the International Field of economics

A more equitable distribution of wealth, a prudent and co-operative attitude of labour some sacrifices by our Capitalists, a bold and planned economic policy by the Government, coupled with a controlled increase in population alone will increase production and solve our economic crisis.

—A. SRINIVASAN.

New Light On Australian Native Art

MELBOURNE: Hundreds of examples of aboriginal bark drawings and cave paintings brought back by a joint Australian and American expenditure into Arnhem Land in Australia's little-known north, are expected to throw new light on native art in Australia.

The expedition, comprising eleven Australians and five Americans, was the largest scientific expedition undertaken in Australia to date. Its members included experts in five branches of natural history, three branches of medicine and three branches of anthropology.

After eight months in Arnhem Land, the expedition returned South with 25 tons of botanical and other specimens and examples of native art.

The expedition was financed by the Australian Department of Information and the National Geographical Society of America.

The Australian leader of the expedition, Mr. Charles Mountford, who has been associated with seven other expeditions and is a recognised authority on aboriginal art, said that the expidition's most valuable art discoveries were made in deep caves at Cenpelli, about 150 miles East of Darwin, on the edge of the Arnhem Land plateau.

There the party found a type of rock painting which he did not think had been recorded before.

"It is an extremely ancient art, form which has considerable resemblance to what is known as Tevontine art, found in caves in Eastern Spain, and the art of the extinct South African bushmen", Mr. Mountford explained.

"It will be a puzzle for anthropologists to explain how this form of painting comes to be found in Australia".

The examples found were painted entirely in deep red, and were almost exclusively of human figures in strong action. Presentation was particularly spirited, he added.

Conference Postponed Marathi Journalists'

POONA, Sept. 22 (PTI)—The meeting of the Standing Committee of the Marathi Journalists Conference to be held at Bombay on Sunday next has been postponed owing to dislocation of traffic caused by heavy rainfall, it was announced here today by the Secretary of the Conference.

OPEN AIR

"Tuesday's child is loving and giving", says the old rhyme, and I am sure the fisherman I met at Pawai one evening must have been a Tuesday's child! He was returning home from his work carrying a lovely spray of some unknown mauve flower in his hand, and when we stopped the car to ask where he had found it and what it was called in Marathi, he handed it to us with a very gracious smile, and went on his way without waiting for even a thank you, and my Marathi was too deficient even to be able to understand where he had found it! The plant had strongly ridged, square stems and the simple leaves were arranged opposite each other alternately up the stem. The much-branched flower-stems which grew from the axils of the leaves bore beautiful four-petalled flowers of palest mauve shading to deep purple at the tips of each pointed petal. The four stamens, which were very long, were deep orange in colour. I have never found this plant growing, but I am told by the Natural History Society, which comes to my help in all my difficulties, that its name is Exacum bicolor (bicolor from the two-coloured petals) and that it is found growing in pasture lands between Panwel and Khandala as well as in Salsette.

—D. R.

EXACUM BICOLOR.

INCREASE IN AIR FARES TO U. S.

International Body Decision

LONDON, Sept. 22. (PTI-Reuter): An emergency meeting in London of the International Air Transport Association decided today to increase fares of air lines operating services from soft currency areas to the American continent.

The conference decided that there would be no increase in sterling fares from Britain tc India, the Far East, Australia, South Africa, Europe or the Middle East.

This decision means reductions in the dollar fares charged by American companies with eastward services into these areas.

It is understood that these dollar cuts are likely to mean losses to American operators.

TRACTORS FOR FOOD DRIVE

E. Punjab Steps

JULLUNDUR, Sept. 22. (P.T.I.): Province-wide use of tractors by farmers for the "Grow More Food" drive was urged today by the East Punjab Government.

The tractors would be made available to villagers on hire an official announcement said. The Government had decided to take in advance only 25 per cent of the hire which is about Rs. 13 per acre. Refugees would not be required to pay this amount in advance, it was added.

E. Punjab MLA Resigns From P. C. C.

JULLUNDUR, Sept. 22. (P.T.I.): Pandit Shri Ram Sharma, M.L.A., East Punjab, has resigned from the Provincial Congress Committee. In his letter of resignation he said that the membership only on the assurance of Mr. Shankerrao Deo that party factions in East Punjab Congress would be firmly curbed. But after a lapse of a long time, Pandit Sharma said, he found that nothing of the sort had taken place.

Yugoslav Rate Of Exchange

BELGRADE, Sept. 22. (PTI-Reuter): The Yugoslav Ministry of Finance announced today that the new Yugoslav rate of exchange for the pound sterling will be 140 dinnar to the pound instead of 200 dinar.

Italy Heistates To Devalue

ROME, Sept. 22. (PTI-Reuter): Italy may not take a final decision on devaluation for some time, Signor Giwseppe Pella, Italian Treasury Minister, indicated here today.

A cabinet meeting scheduled for this afternoon to discuss sterling devaluation was postponed until tomorrow morning.

Stop Press

PUTTING FLESH

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 22. (PTI-Reuter): Madame Sun Yat-Sen, widow of the Founder of the Chinese Republic, today told a Chinese Communist Conference in Peiping that Communists were putting "solid flesh to the skeleton plans" for the industrialization of China laid by her husband, according to a Peiping Radio broadcast heard here tonight.

PITTSBURG, Sept. 22. (PTI-Reuter): The United States Steel Workers Union today joined employers in accepting President Truman's suggested six-day extension of a steel strike truce to permit renewed contract talks. The truce will now continue until October 1.

U. S. STRIKE AVERTED RUNNING RECORD

A B O (Finland) Sept. 22. (PTI-Reuter): Viljo Heino, Finnish holder of several world running records, today set up a new world mark for twenty thousand metres with a time of one hour, two minutes, forty seconds.

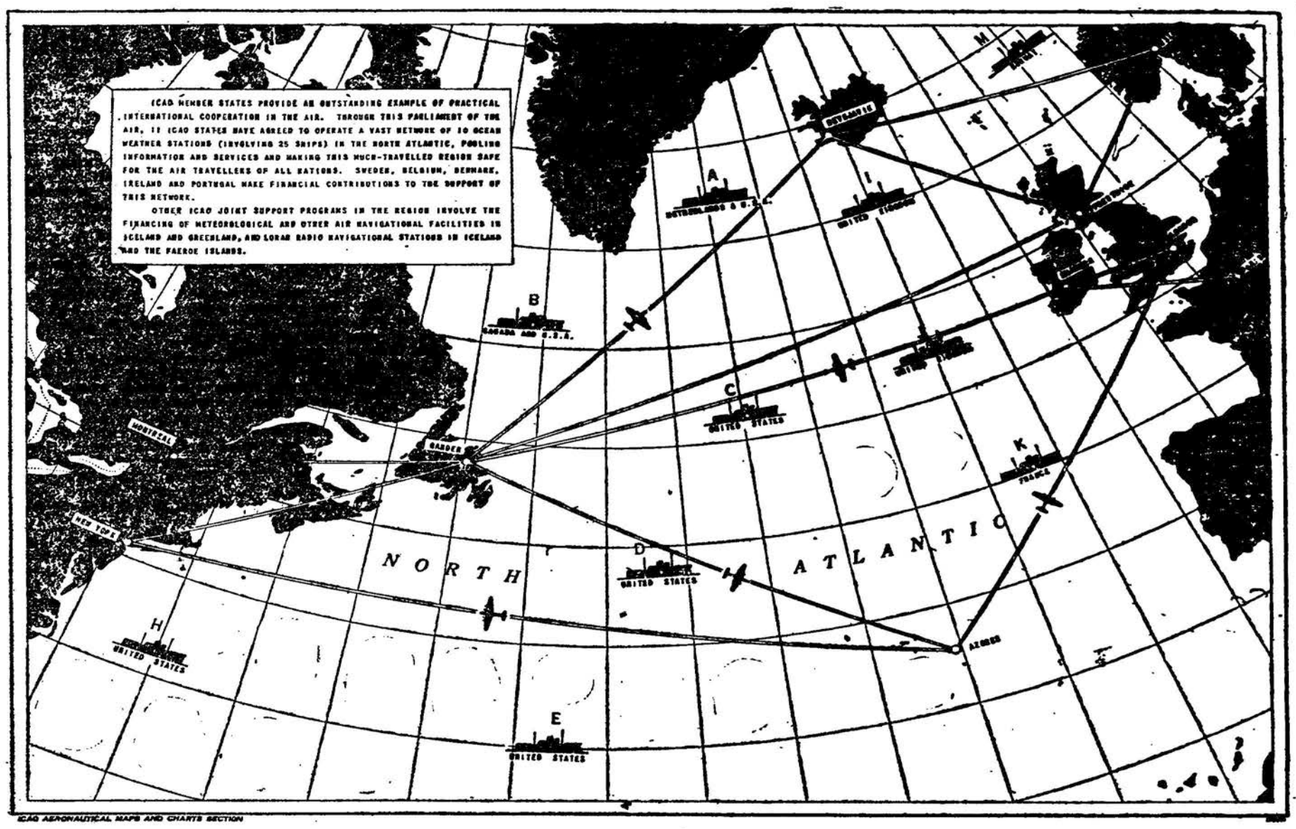
The previous record of one hour, three minutes, 1.2 seconds was established in 1941 by Andras Csaplar, Hungary, in Budapest.

BURMA TO ALLOW MORE IMPORTS

RANGOON, Sept. 22. (UPI): An increase of import licences was announced yesterday through a press communique. The communique added that the foreign exchange allotment for import of goods during the year 1949 which was fixed at Rs. 25 crores in that earlier part of the year has now been increased to Rs. 35 crores in order to bring down commodity prices.

The issue of import licenses will therefore be made on a more liberal scale during the current shipping period ending December 31. 1949.

OCEAN WEATHER STATIONS OF THE WORLD


ICAO MEMBER STATES PROVIDE AN OUTSTANDING EXAMPLE OF PRACTICAL INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THE AIR. THROUGH THIS PARLIAMENT OF THE AIR, 11 ICAO STATES HAVE AGREED TO OPERATE A VAST NETWORK OF 10 OCEAN WEATHER STATIONS (INVOLVING 25 SHIPS) IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC, POOLING INFORMATION AND SERVICES AND MAKING THIS MUCH-TRAVELLED REGION SAFE FOR THE AIR TRAVELLERS OF ALL NATIONS. SWEDEN, BELGIUM, DENMARK, IRELAND AND PORTUGAL MAKE FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SUPPORT OF THIS NETWORK.
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The map shows the revised ICAO North Atlantic ocean weather station network, which comes into effect on July 1, 1950. The new network by 25 ships and replaces the current agreement, concluded in 1946, which called for 13 ocean stations.

INDIA TO EXPORT MORE TO SWITZERLAND

Effect Of Sterling Devaluation

BOMBAY, Sept. 22, (PTI-Reuter): INDIA'S exports to Switzerland, especially coffe all seeds, are expected to increase as a result of sterling devaluation, it was stated at the Indian Legation here today.

In the last six months, Indian trade with Switzerland has suffered badly from North and South American competition. Before devaluation, Brazil was offering coffee on the Swiss market at prices 20 to 25 per cent lower than India's.

Commercial experts at the Indian Legation thought Indian exporters should now have a good chance to offer competitive prices in the Swiss market. This view is confirmed in Swiss commercial circles close to the Government.

COMPLICATION

The future of the Indo-Swiss Trade Agreement, which forms a major part of the Anglo-Swiss Pact signed early this year, is complicated by sterling devaluation.

The agreement provided that India would import Swiss goods to the value of £ 5,300,000 (21,630,000 Swiss francs) in the year ending next February. This amounted to 705 lakhs of rupees at the pre-devaluation rate.

When the pact was signed it was given to "basic" currency. All figures were given equally in sterling and Swiss francs.

An Indian Legation official said: "Nothing definite can be stated on the immediate future of the trade agreement until the Indian and British Government have conferred. We are watching events very closely in Berne, and there may be some indication within a fornight of how things are going."

RAHIMTOOLA EXPLAINS

LONDON: Mr. Ibraham Rahimtoola Pakistan High Commissioner to Britain said here today that his country's decision not to devalue the rupee would mean that British goods would now be sold more cheaply in Pakistan.

Mr. Rahimtoola expressed the hope that Britain would take this opportunity to increase her exports, particularly of capital goods, to Pakistan.

He said he felt there would be a substantial increase over Britain's 1948 exports to Pakistan which were valued at about £ 18,55,000.

Mr. Rahimtoola did not think that there would be any fall in British imports from Pakistan valued at about £ 11,359,000 last year.

"The non-devaluation decision is both courageous and wise and will give an impetus to Pakistan's industrialisation, because capital goods from the dollar countries will continue to flow into the Dominion at the same prices.

EXPORT DRIVE

"Naturally, we will have to increase our export drive because of the competition that certain of our goods will now have to face in the dollar area.

"Pakistan's exports to the hard currency areas are comprised mainly of raw materials and these would certainly not have benefited from devaluation because they do not at present admit of any appreciable expansion.

"Even if certain markets for Pakistan's jute, cotton, and hides and skins are closed the world demand for these is so great that Pakistan will not find it very difficult to keep up their present level of exports." he added.

PAKISTAN PROTEST NOTE TO INDIA

Devaluation Of Rupee

KARACHI, Sept. 22. (PTI-Reuter): The Government of Pakistan, it was learned today, were sending a note to the Government of India protesting against what they called "unilateral decision to devaluate the Indian rupee".

'Guinea Pig' School Plan

LONDON -Three hundred and sixty Middlesex secondary school children aged between 11 and 15 are to be sent to two Hampshire schools for a term of "communal training".

In a boarding-school atmosphere, the children will be taught to stand up for themselves away from their parents They will learn team spirit and comradeship by practical experience.

Both the schools stand in 25 acres of playing fields and gardens. The buildings are made of wood and the children will sleep in two tier beds in long dormitories.

Normal school subjects are to be included in the curriculum, in addition to special training calculated to benifit the children socially and strengthen their characters.

Parents will pay ten shillings a week for each child as a food allowance and the railway fare to the schools and home again.

In addition, they have been asked to provide pocket money. Parents whose children qualify for the free school meals service will be charged only five shilling a week.

The children will set off in September and will be away for whole term until mid-December.

A Middlesex County Council official said: "We are confident that the scheme will provide a wonderful experience for the chosen children and that they will benifit considerably." P.T.I.-Reuter

Easier Conditions On London Stock Exchange

LONDON, Sept. 23. (PTI-Reuter): An initial promise of firmness was short-lived in the London Stock Exchange today. Economic uncertainties with possibility of increased taxation introduced a note of caution and hesitancy and resulted in an easier trend in later dealings. British Government Stocks opened with prices climbing higher under the influence of small support. Change in sentiment, however, was swift and erased gains and occasionally substituted losses.

Leading industrials followed the same pattern and closed with many small declines after early firmness. Selling was small but the feeling throughout the markets was that the levels were too high. Even when the British railway go slow action failed to materials there was no improvement in the market trend and most issues were showing dullness in final dealings.

A firm spot in Oils was provided by Mexican Eagles at around 16 and six. Buyers were encouraged by possible benefits from Dollar repayments since devaluation.

South African minings were mixed. Quiet support produced gains in producers but this was followed by profit-taking which resulted in irregularity.

NEW YORK CLOSING STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES
NEW YORK, Sept. 21.

American Telephone and Telegraph	142 3/8
Amerex Holding Co.	29 3/4
Anaconda Copper Mining	26 3/4
Chase National Bank	35 3/4
Firestone Tyre	45 7/8
Genral Electric (ex-div)	37 1/4
General Motors	61 3/8
Ingersol Rand	67 1/2
International Nickel of Canada "A"	28 3/4
National City Bank	41 3/8
New York Central Railroad	10 1/4
Socony Vacuum Oil	16 1/2
Sinclair Oil Corporation	23 1/8
Texas Corporation	58 5/8
Union Carbide	39 7/8
U. S. Smelting and Refining (bid)	39
U. S. Steel common	23 3/8
Western Union	15 1/8

CHICAGO WHEAT
CHICAGO, Sept. 21.

September	2.09 1/4
December	2.12 1/2
March	2.11 1/4
May	2.04 3/8

NEW YORK STOCKS
NEW YORK, Sept. 22.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:
Anaconda Copper Mining 26-7/8.
General Motors 61-3/4.
United States Steel common unquoted.
United States steel preference unquoted.

LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

NEW YORK COTTON (OCTOBER)
NEW YORK, Sept. 22.

Previous closing	29.91
Today's opening	29.93
....Difference	+.02
Today's closing	29.86
Difference	—.05

NEW YORK COTTON
NEW YORK, Sept. 21.

October	29.81
December	29.77
March	29.68
May	29.62
Middling Spot	30.91

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
NEW YORK, Sept. 21.

October	29.85
December	29.71
March	29.65
May	29.56
Middling Spot	30.00

New York Cotton October highest 29.92 at 14.29 hrs. lowest 29.83 at 10.07 hrs.

The highest and lowest U. S. Steel trading prices were 23-3/8 and 22-3/8 respectively.

The volume of business on the New York Stock Exchange was 1,150,000 shares.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
LONDON, Sept. 21.

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2 1/2 per cent British Consols	72 1/2
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan 1961	96 1/2
4 per cent Funding Loan 1960/90	109 1/4
3 1/2 per cent War Loan on or after December 1, 1952	95 3/4
Chartered Bank of India (ex-div)	10 5/8
National Bank of India	34

LONDON, Sept. 21.
London Silver Spot and Forward 64d. 00a
Gold bars fine per ounce 248.
Australian Wheat (bulk) 89/7 1/2 September-October.

LONDON EXCHANGES
LONDON, Sept. 21.

	Selling	Buying
T. T. London on:		
New York	2.7987	2.8012
Montreal	3.0775	3.0825
Zurich	12.11	12.13
Sweden	14.47 to	14.50

Transactions on the London Stock Exchange are officially placed at 12128.

"News Of The World" Snooker Towney

LONDON, Sept. 22. (P.T.I-Reuter): John Barrie Wisbech, who was beaten by Albert Brown, Birmingham, earlier this week in the first match, today met Alec Brown, London, in the second heat of the qualifying competition of the "News of World" 1,500 Snooker Tournament at the Leicester Square Hall here.

At the interval, Barrie and Brown were level with three frames each. Scores were: (Barrie first) 66—47; 30—58; 54—32; 36—72; 55—43; 30—60.

The match consists of 37 frames.

DR. KESKAR IN CITY

India's Deputy Minister for Exter nal Affairs spoke on democracy and civil liberties at the Blavatsky Lodge on Wednesday evening

ACCEPTANCES FOR POONA

POONA, Sept. 22. (PTI).

The folowing are the acceptances for Poona races, sixth day, to be held on Saturday, September 24:

THE THANA PLATE, (Div two dist. 1 mile). Leader 8-12, Dry Day 8-12, Nature Boy 8-12, Amarnath 812, Montfort 812, Birbal 8-12, Solo Banco 8-12, Poldo 8-12, Macdonald 8-12, Basilian 8-12, Rajaji 8-12.

THE OOTACAMUND PLATE (Dist. 1¼ mile). Adorable 9-2, New Era 9-1, Luminary 9-0, Abdel 8-5, Fashion Parade 8-4, Miss Rutty 7-13, Army and Navy 7-9, Lalaji 7-6.

THE SANGLI PLATE (Div. one dist. 1 mile). D Day 9-2, Valiant Prince 9-1, Blue Lotus 8-13, Shah Nawaz 8-11, Rukhsana 8-11, Chhatrapati 8-10, Trumpeldor 8-10, Salta 8-9, Nasrullah 8-8, Gold Legion 8-8, Princessa 8-7, Spring Chicken 8-6 King's Star 8-5, Summer Lightning 8-2, Ijjat 8-0.

THE THANA PLATE (div one dist. 1 mile). Par Excellence 8-12, Pride of Hindustan 8-12, Pyare Saheb 8-12, Triple Alliance 8-12, Lerins 8-12, Reshone 8-12, Black Abbot 8-12.

THE JOHN KENNY PLATE (dist. 1¼ mile). Mubarak 9-2, Take On 8-11, Boop's Fancy 8-8, Jane Jigar 8-5, Brave Prince 7-11, Happy Go Lucky 7-4, Rao Saheb 7-0.

THE RAJARAM CHHATRAPATI MEMORIAL GOLD CUP (dist 1 1/4 mile). Raj Doot 9-7, Pillar To Post 9-6, Rajput Warrior 9-3, Royal Crusader 8-12, Happy Go Lucky 8-10, Doorani 8-10, Rana Pratap 8-6, Little John 8-6, Khundil 8-3, Courage 7-13, Repartee 7-11, Royal Mantle 7-11, Goodwill 7-7, Prospero 7-4, Irish Right 7-2, Queen of Gwalior 7-2, Stylish Lady 7-2.

THE SANGLI PLATE (div. two dist. 1 mile). Embarkation 9-3, Gang Bhup 9-0, Wet Bob 8-12, Lady Cleopatra 8-9, Riviera 8-9, Moulin Rouge 8-8, Panditji 8-8, Phone Again 8-6, Aarzu 7-12, Banshee 7-10.

THE SHIMOGA PLATE (dist. 6 furlongs). Abbess 9-2, Flying Clipper 8-13, Manisha 8-12, Medallion 8-8, Futurity 8-5, Sweetie Shah 8-5, Pride D'Antibes 8-4, Irish Right 8-3, Queen of Gwalior 8-2, Rashtrapati 7-13, Georgie 7-12, Dominica 7-8, Duke of Ramgarh 7-7.

Track Trials

The following are the track-trials noted at Poona:—

RACE GRASS.

FLYING CLIPPER (A. Ahmed) moved well in hand when covering six furlongs in 1 minute 25 seconds.

BLUE LOTUS (Argade) held COCKPIT PRIDE (Cunningham)when sent over a mile. They moved at easy pace and clocked 1 minute 39 seconds for the last 7 furlongs.

ROYAL CRUSADER (Khade) did the last four furlongs in 51 seconds. The rig is in excellent condition at the moment.

TAN TRACK.

WINDSOR KNIGHT (R.B.) covered six furlongs from 9 to 3 in 1 minute 23 seconds. He moved at a fair pace.

Buckley sent his pair, Lerins and Lizalee at half pace over a mile from 9 to 1. They returned 1 minute 56 seconds.

RANA PRATAP (Duffy) moved better than MERRY WINDSOR (Devaney) when sent out on trial. The last four furlongs were covered in 50 seconds.

IRISH RIGHT (R.B.) headed RESHONE (Tasi) and PERSEPOLIS (R.B.) when engaged in a trial. The last five furlongs were traversed in 1 minute 8 1/2 seconds.

SHAH FREDOON (Sumersingh) moved like a winner over seven furlongs. He returned 1 minute 35 1/2 seconds.

BIG BOSS (R.B.) was a shade better than LAKE SUCCESS (R.B.) in a trial over six furlongs. Timing 1 minute 23 seconds.

MUBARAK (Khade) covered a mile in 1 minute 50 seconds. He is in fine fettle.

CHURCHILL (Chavan) did a speedy display over six furlongs in 1 minute 20 1/2 seconds.

SOLO BANCO (Shaikh) moved on tight-reins when engaged over a mile. He clocked 1 minute 55 seconds.

NASRULLAH (Chavan) spared a couple of lengths from Carnival Quen (K. Hassan) at the end of a mile gallop. Timing 1 minute 49 seconds.

QUEEN OF GWALIOR (Kasbekar) recorded 1 minute 49 1/2 seconds. when travelling a mile.

ATI'S PRIDE (R.B.) outstrode KISS MISS (R.B.) when matched over seven furlongs. Timing 1 minute 36 2/5 seconds. The first-named is running to form.

SUMMER LIGHTNING (A. Ahmed) and WET BOB (Damodar) were not stretched when covering the last five in 1 minute 9 seconds.

ADORABLE (Purshottam) GIPSY GEM (Shaikh) and PRINCE VIJIT (Shiba) were placed in the order mentioned when covering six furlongs in 1 minute 23 seconds. The first named should run well on Saturday.

PANDITJI (Hanuman Singh) disposed of Plucky Princess (Ganpat Singh) when covering the last five furlongs in 1 minute 8 seconds.

RAJPUT WARRIR (Purtu Singh) did the last five furlongs in 1 minute 7 seconds. He is in fine fettle.

NATURE BOY (Chavan) held KOKO (R.B.) when tried over a mile. He colcked 1 minute 53 seconds. For mer neds watching.

Army Men To Participate In Motor-Cycle Tests

BANGALORE, Sept. 22. (PTI).

THE Indian Army Services Sports Control Board is organising a motor cycle trial here on October 2 and 3.

Five teams will participate in this inter-services trial, one each from the three Army Commands. while the Air Force and the Navy will enter one each.

The object of the trial is not to have race, but to test the negotiability of machines and performance of men over bad terrain.

The first day's tests will include flexibility tests, speed maintenance tests, hill climbing and water splashing. The second day will be devoted to cross country run tests. At the conclusion of the trial, both machines and men will be examined to see how they stood the tests.

Lt. General Rajendra Singhji, G.O.C. Southern Command, and other high ranking military officers are expected to be present to witness the event.

A CHAMP'S SON SHAPES WELL

"News Of The World" Golf Tourney

WALTON HEATH, (Surrey), Sept. 22, (PTI-Reuter): Leo McNeill, son of a former Irish golf champion, hold his shot at the 245 yards first hole here during the third round of the "News of the World" match play golf championship today. McNeill, attached to a Lancashire Club was opposed to the American Ryder Cup Player, Skip Alexander.

Surprise winner among the early finishers was Norman Quigley, 31 years old North of England Champion, who eliminated the American star Sam Snead.

Henry Cotton, three times winner of the event, had to struggle desperately to beat Arthur Lacey on the 19th Green.

U. S. GOLFERS TAKE SURPRISE DECISION

Return To America

LONDON, September 22. (P.T.I.-Reuter): Sudden change of plans by some of the United States Ryder Cup Golfers, who have decided to return home instead of competing in the forthcoming amateur-professional foursomes and the masters tournament, has caused a surprise in golfing circles here.

Bob Hamilton withdrew yesterday from the current match play championship, and Clayton Heafner, Sam Snead and Skip Alexander, all intimated that they expected to go home when their interests in the same event expired. All the three were eliminated today.

MADRAS POLICE SCRAPE THROUGH

South Indian Hockey

MADRAS, Sept. 22, (PTI): The replay between the City Police Recreation Club and the M. S. M. Railway in the semi-final of the South Indian Athletic Association Hockey Tournament ended in a 1-0 victory for the police here today The winners now meet the Spencers Sports Club in the final on Saturday.

The police completely outplayed the railway in the initial session tough they were able to score the all important goal of the match only just before half time.

The railway stormed the police goal time and again and throughout the second half, but the police defence managed to weather the onslaught till the final whistle.

INDIAN SCOUTS IN LONDON

Highest Training Course Completed

LONDON, Sept. 22. (PTI-Reuter): Indian and Pakistan boy scouts have just completed wood badge courses—the highest training course in the boy scout movement—at the world scouting centre at Gilwill Park, Chingford, near London. Nineteen Indian and 17 Pakistan Rovers were also among the 100 of 42 nations, who attended the world Rover meet at Shoke (Norway) and the fourth annual International Boy Scouts' Conference in Elvester (Norway) between August 2 and August 12 last.

Mr. Khan, of Bombay, and Mr. Mohammad Siddiqi, of Karachi, led the Indian and Pakistan contingents, whose camps at the Rover Meet were visited by thousands of Norwegians. Mr. Siddiqi said here today that the international conference decided that the 1952 world jamboree should be held in Austria. It also approved the new budget of the international bureau and made a general world survey of the boy scouts movement, he added.

DAVE SANDS TO MEET MEAD

Australian Champ

LONDON, Sept. 22. (PTI-Reuter): Dave Sands, Australian holder of the Empire Middleweight Title, has been matched against Pete Mead, outstanding American middleweight, at Harringay here on October 11.

It will be Sand's last fight in Britain until he returns next March. If successful against Mead, he will fight at Madison Square Garden, New York, in the last week in November on his way home to Australia.

COMMONWEALTH CRICKET MATCH

Dates Of East Zones Fixtures

JAMSHEDPUR, Sept. 22. (P. T. I.): The East Zone Commonwealth Cricket match will be played at Jamshedpur on January 7, 8, 9 and 10, it was officially confirmed here today.

KOLAR NATIONAL FOOTBALL CLUB

TIRUCHI, Sept 22. (P.T.I.): National Football Club, Kolar, beat Golden Blues, Tiruchi, by three goals to nil in the first Annual Elevens Football Tournament conducted by the National Union Football Club, Tiruchi.

The visitors scored two goals in the first half both through Gangaraj, their left out and the third in the second half. The local team lacked combination and could not penetrate their opponents defences.

RANJIT SINGH'S THRONE

Not To Be Brought To Patiala Exhibition

LONDON, Sept. 22, (PTI): Sikh relics now being gathered together in London for despatch to an exhibition in Patiala in October will be all—century old throne of Ranjit Singh.

Ornate, covered with gold leaf but otherwise about the size and shape of an ordinary wooden shortbacked office armchair the throne lies at the Victoria and Albert Museum London which includes one of the greatest Indian collections to be found anywhere in Europe.

India house has been asked to get The search has been proceeding two and a half days.

The official reason why the Throne everything it can for the exhibition. which is of the deepest political significance to Indias five and a half million Sikhs cannot be shipped out to India is that there is not sufficient time before the exhibition for its loan to be secured and for arrangements to be made for it to be sent.

STRIKE MOVE IN U. S.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22, (PTI-Reuter): The United States Steel Workers Union leaders were deciding today whether or not their one million members will come out on strike at midnight on Saturday.

Yesterday the United States steel Corporation accepted President Truman's request for a new six-day truce, and agreed to bargain with the union. The President asked that the truce be maintained until midnight on Friday week in the "national interest."

Meanwhile, nearly half a million coal miners were out for the fourth day as their leader. Mr. John L. Lewis negotiated with the northern and western mineowners. He refused to talk with southern owners until they paid royalty contributions to the fund which provides pensions for miners over sixty.

Cheques

Use of cheques on Banks, in place of currency notes, has largely contributed to the growth of Business and Industry in the civilised world. For the development of Industries and Business activities of our country, insist on making or receiving payments in cheques.

Now-a-days, the possession of a Cheque Book is regarded as a sign of respectability.

You can have a Cheque Book from the Calcutta National Bank either by opening a Savings Bank account with the sum of Rs. 100/- only, or by opening a current account with the sum of Rs. 200/- only. You are cordially invited to any of the offices of the Calcutta National Bank, where the officers of the Bank will be glad to receive you and to assist you in opening your account.

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INDIA SHOULD NOT RATIFY HAVANA CHARTER

Comerce Federation's Memo To Fiscal Commission

NEW DELHI, Sept. 22. (UPI).

THE Committee of the Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry in a memorandum to the Fiscal Commission have urged that India should not fall in line with the Havana Charter's objectives of reduction of tariffs and other trade barriers and join the International Trade Organisation.

According to the Committee the membership of the International Trade Organisation would only place India in a position of disadvantage in respect of adopting the most appropriate commercial policy.

India's commercial policy, the Committee emphasise, should form part of a general economic policy which is directed to bring about a rapid industrialisation in the country, to improve the standard of living of the Indian people.

That task obviously demands that India should equip herself with all the requisite instruments of regulation, control and direction of foreign trade. Both the immediate prospects of foreign trade as well as the plans for economic development necessitate that India must have the discretion to govern the composition and direction of foreign trade into channels which help strengthen India's economy.

OBJECTIONS

The Committee's objections to the International Trade Organisation as envisaged by the Havana Charter are mainly,

1. Super-national regimentation of domestic and economic policies would be certain to go against the interest of under-developed countries in the world at present.

2. All the members irrespective of their stage of development or needs are expected to live up to a uniform commercial code.

3. Although the Charter is primarily concerned with foreign trade as well as domestic employment, greater emphasis has been placed on the former; on the other hand it is only through development of under-developed countries that international trade can encrease.

4. An under-developed country like India will have to approach the I.T.O. for permission in almost every case of development of indigenous industry.

5. India is not really in a position to subscribe in toto to the objects and rules of the Charter. If that be done, her interests would be jeopardised.

6. Advantages of membership of the I.T.O are few while disadvantages are many.

The Committee have therefore urged the Fiscal Commission to advise the Government of India not to ratify the Havana Charter.

BLACKMARKET SUGAR FROM U. P.

LUCKNOW, Sept. 22 (UPI)—Certain cases are reported to have come to the notice of the Provincial Government in which sugar industrialists and merchants of the Province are alleged to have "saved" parts of their stocks from being frozen and much stocks of sugar are now being transfered to places outside the Province, particularly Bombay.

The U. P. Government nave, accordingly, asked Bombay and other Provincial Governments to be vigilant about sugar coming from U.P. in an unauthorised manner and to freeze all stocks transferred thus. In some cases exact information has been supplied by U. P. to Provincial Government concerned regarding unauthorised transfers, it is understood.

JUTE QUOTAS FOR CEYLON AND CHILE

NEW DELHI, Sept. 22. (P.T.I.): The Government of India has decided to allot jute goods quotas of 2,200 tons and 600 tons for Ceylon and Chile respectively for the half year ending December 25, 1949, the Ministry of Commerce announced today.

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LIMESTONE FOUND IN KURNOL

Useful For Making Cement

NEW DELHI September 22. (P.T.I.): Large deposiis of limestone useful for the manufacture of cement have been located in Kurnool Districts in the Madras Province by the Geological Survey of India after preliminary investigations, it was learnt here today.

These reserves of limestones, which are described by the Geological Department as "inexhaustible", are reported to be found within 20 miles of Kurnool town and around five villages well situated from the point of view of communications and transport facilities. The villages are Varakuri, Bukkapuram, Satnikota, Nagaluti and Nandikotkuram.

Samples of the lime stone, chemically analysed, showed that the material was high in silica and low in Magnesia content. According to the Geological Authorities, mixing up of this limestone with better grade limestone, which is also available in this area, would render all the occurrences suitable for the manufacture of Portland cement.

Hindu Shops In Quetta Sealed

QUETTA, Sept, 22 (PTI-Reuter): A number of shops belonging to Hindus stated to have migrated to India after partition, have been sealed by the custodian of Evacuee property.

The shops it was stated were being run by their agents.

Ethiopian Dollar Not To Be Devalued

ADIS ABABA, Sept. 22 (PTI-Reuter)—The Ethopian Cabinet after three days deliberations, today decided not to devalue the Ethopian dollar.

Resettlement Of Refugees

TRANSFER TO NEW TOWNSHIPS

NEW DELHI, Sept. 22. (P.T.I.): Over 20,000 displaced persons are to be moved from temporary camps to new townships for permanent rehabilitation. This is part of the programme to transfer as many displaced persons as possible from camps to places where they could be permanently resettled.

Five thousand persons are on the move from Kurukshetra to Budni in Bhopal, where they will be settled on land, while an equal number from the Deolali Camp in Ajmer Merwara are being resettled at Bairagarh, near Bhopal in urban occupations.

Rajapura in the Patiala and East Punjab States Union is to receive 5,000 persons from Kurukshetra to Samana in the Punjab East Punjab States Union was also recently undertaken.

A training-cum-production centre has started to functon at Samana from September 12.

JOBS FOR DISPLACED ENGINEERS

Works Ministry Notice

NEW DELHI Sept. 22 (UPI)—All displaced engineering personnel registered with the Transfer Bureau but have not so far secured employment, have been asked to intimate their full particulars and their present addresses to the Secretary, Ministry of Works, Mines and Power, by October 15, 1949, with a view to helping them in getting employment.

All changes in addresses after that date should also be intimated to that Ministry, says a press note.

The Ministry of Works, Mines and Power, which has been trying to find employment for displaced engineering personnel registered with the Transfer Bureau (Ministry of Home Affairs), is unable in certain cases to contact the Transfer Bureau nominees, either because they have not given their full addresses or because they have since registration moved to fresh addresses.

"Grow More Food" Concessions To States Also

NEW DELHI, Sept. 22 (PTI)—The Government of India have it is learnt, decided that concessions given by the Centre to Provincial Governments for their "Grow More Food Schemes" should also be given to States and Unions of States during 1949-50 on an hoc basis for approved schemes.

The extent and form of financial assistance will depend on the individual circumstances of each State or Union. The Central Ministry of Agriculture has asked the States, and Unions to submit progiving details of their schemes and also to indicate the progress made in existing schemes.

Information has also been asked about the amounts already spent and the provision made for 1949-50. Before any loans or grants are given the Governments of India will satisfy themselves that the necessary administrative and financial arrangements have been made by the States concerned to implement the increased production schemes quickly and economically.

It has also been made clear that the additional production in states and Unions should result in correspondingly less demands for foodgrains on the Centre in the case of deficit and larger exports in the case of surplus areas.

AN EXPERIMENT IN DEMOCRACY

C. P. Scheme To Be Studied

NAGPUR, Sept. 22. (UPI): A report on the "Janapada" scheme and the experience of its working so far, is likely to be sent to the Government of India very shortly, it is learnt.

The "Janapada" scheme is calculated to decentralise the administration and ensure the functioning of democracy at all levels.

Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, Governor-General of India, when he was in Nagpur in August last year, hailed the scheme as a great experiment in the fundamentals of democracy.

Colombo Strike Called Off

COLOMBO, Sept. 22 (PTI-Reuter)—Strike of tea and rubber estate workers due to start today over wages claims, was called off when Colombo Municipal and harbour workers refused to come out in sympathy. The men came out on token strike twice in the middle of July.

Sir C. V. Raman

PATNA, Sept. 22 (PTI)—Sir C. V. Raman the eminent scientist will deliver a public lecture tomorrow at the Wheeler Senate Hall of the Patna University on "synthetic Gems".

COMPOST-MAKING SCHEMES IN U. P.

10,000 Tons More Food Expected

NAGPUR, Sept. 22 (PTI)—Two compose-making schemes, urban and rural, designed to produce three lakhs of tons of indigenous manure and yield an extra quantity of 10,000 tons of foodstuffs by the end of 1952 have been started by the Provincial Government, it is learnt here.

Under the town compost scheme which is in operation in about 100 towns in the Province, Government expect to produce 92,000 tons and distribute 70,000 tons to the cultivators this year. By 1951|52 town composts production would reach the level of 1,10,000 tons.

A drive to make the scheme popular in the villages has been undertaken this year. Two thousand five hundred villages will be covered by the District Agricultural Demonstrators and over one lakh tons of compost are expected to be produced in 1949|50. A target of two and a half lakh tons of compost manure has been fixed for 1951|52.

Each ton of compost manure is estimated to yield one maund of food and the cost to the cultivator per ton is said to be only one fifth of the rates for chemical fertilisers.

HYDERABAD FREEZES RADIO STOCKS

SECUNDERABAD, Sept. 22 (UPI)—The Hyderabad Government have frozen with effect from today all stocks of radios, cycles, electrical goods, chemicals and drugs and 15 other variety of goods and directed those persons holding the stocks should declare that immediately and obtain release orders from the civil Administrator of the district or the Supply Secretary and sell them at prices not exceeding those ruling on September 18, 1949, until further orders.

Cow Slaughter Should Be Stopped

CALCUTTA, Sept. 22, (PTI): The Municipal Commissioners of Howrah, at a meeting last night, declared that it was their considered view that slaughter of cows and bullocks should be stopped to preserve milch and other useful cattle.

They adopted a resolution referring the matter to the Government of West Bengal and the Congress High Command for a final decision.

N. Y. COTTON STEADY

Stocks Close At The Day's Best

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.

Cotton ruled steady influenced by persistent trade buying of nearbys for mill accounts and meagreness of hedges. Other buying was probably based on the failure of disturbing labour news, delays in enactment of farm legislation and devaluation news to bring out more selling pressure. Textile demands are reported to be somewhat lower.

Later trading was featured by persistent dribbling trade buying, presumably for mill and export accounts together with continued meagreness of hedges, despite heavy spotsales in the primary markets. The session closed steady with sales at approximately 90,000 bales.

Stocks: The stock displayed a fair degrees of stability. In moderate dealings prices developed irregularly higher tendencies of mostly fractions led by steels, motors, minings, oils, rails tobaccos and chemicals. Aiding the improvement was a report that the Federal Conciliation Chief conferred at White House today over the deadlock in the steel dispute and some announcement is believed to be imminent.

Leading industrials led today's recovery which succeeded in regaining about half of Tuesday's losses. Fairly well distributed gains ranging to over one dollar were registered. Goldminings however, were mostly fractions lower under profittaking.

The principal impetus for the advance came from Truman's request for an extension of the steel truce until the midnight of October 1 and resumption of bargaining on the basis of the fact finding Board's recommendations. The session finished firm at the day's best. A few selected issues, such as Dupont, were two points or more.

CHICAGO GRAINS

Gains showed a steady undertone suggesting that liquidation as a result of widespread currency devaluation has about run its course. Evening up operations at the close tomorrow with some liquidation noted in nearby maize. The strength of minneapolis aided wheat. Export demand for grain and flour was slow.

India's Export Trade Must Increase

Singhania's Plea At Calcutta Meeting

CALCUTTA, Sept. 21. (PTI)—Mr. Lakshmipat Singhnia presiding over the half yearly general meeting of the Bharat Chamber of Commerce today, emphasised the need for an all out effort for increasing the value of India's exports in some particular lines like magnese one, shellac, hides and skins and vegetable oils.

Mr. Singhnia said that it was the cost aspect of the Indian raw produce which weakened the competetive power of Indian shippers in the world market. Present high industrial costs of production he added, were mainly due to wage awards which had taken little account of the industry's capacity to pay.

Referring to the policy of the Government of India for securing assistance of foreign capital, Mr. Singhania said that for an under developed country like India, foreign capital was almost essential as there were many disadvantages of borrowing huge sums from the International Bank which had already granted the first loan to India of 34 million dollars.

Mr. Singhania said that unless a correct approach was made to the economic problem of the country, the depression which was surely coming all over the world, might disturb the very foundation of the social fabric in India. He, therefore urged the labour leaders, whose avowed mission was to raise the standard of living of the workmen in this country, to remember that unless the morale of the working population was improved and labour was taught to place the interest of the country above his own, the senseless attacks against the management would recoil on themselves as a boomerang swelling the number of unemployed at a time when creation of more employment was urgently called for.

Who All Have Devalued

LONDON, Sept. 22. (PTI): Western Germany was today awaiting a decision by Britain, France and the United States on the devaluation of the "D" mark.

A delegation from the German Government and the Bank of German states submitted secret proposals yesterday to allied financial advisers who forwarded them to their three Government's for early decision.

Reason for this was believed to be the need to optain through allied channels, the consent of the international monetary fund.

Strict silence on the precise new conversion rate proposed is being maintained, but rumour persists that it is 24 cents to the mark—A 20 per cent devaluation.

By early today 24 countries had decided to follow Britain's example and devalue their currencies.

They were Australia, Belgium, Burma, Canada, Ceylon, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, France, Greece, Holland, Hongkong, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Irak, Ireland, Israel, Luxembourg, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, South Africa, and Sweden.

Still uncertain were Spain, Argentina, Chile and Uruguay.

Pakistan has decided not to devalue Pakisan rupee.

Swiss National Bank officials denied that any devaluation was envisaged at the moment, but some commercial circles thought it would have to come sooner or later. Swiss hotels facing a disastrous winter sports seasdn are to petition the Government for assistance.

The Soviet State Bank for foreign trade announced yesterday a new rouble-sterling rate of 14.84 to the pound.

Trade and financial traffic between India and Pakistan will remain at a standstill the two countries agree on a currency exchange ratio.

Banks and Stock exchanges in Pakistan were closing today.

Karachi financial experts forecast early initiation of monetary exchange control between the two dominions.

Pak Decision Creates Complictations

NEW YORK, Sept. 21. (PTI): Pakistan's decision to maintain the dollar price of its rupee, while India devalued, would lead to a lot of complications in trade between the two neighbouring countries, financial experts said here today.

The economies of India and Pakistan had generally been regarded as complementary to each other, they added, but a depreciation of nearly onethird in the value of India's exports to Pakistan would upset the balance. At the same time they contend India's badly needed food imports from the source nearest to her would be hit. Her jute mills would likewise suffer a blow as they would have to pay heavy prices for raw jute from eastern Pakistan.

Experts foresaw early application of exchange controls to prevent money transfers of other transactions aimed at cashing in on disparity in the two rupees, as it is argued that Pakistan will eventually have to devalue.

U. N. Assistance For The Far East

NEW DELHI, Sept. 22. (UPI): The United Nations' technical assistance programme for economic development in relation to the E.C.A.F.E. region will be among the important subjects to be discussed at the forthcoming fifth session of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East in Singapore.

What Mr. Diwakar Really Said

NEW DELHI, Sept. 22. (UPI): Refuting a press report of his observation on the purchase of Indian newspapers by foreigners, Shri R. R. Diwakar, Minister of State for Information and broadcasting says:

"My attention has been drawn to a press report of my having said at Lucknow that one need not be panicky if foreigners buy newspapers in India. In fact, what I said was that the Government were quite watchful and vigilant and no one need be upset by the mere news that some American Syndicate was going to buy Indian newspapers. I have no reason to believe that our newspapers are so unpatriotic as to allow any inroads in their field, nor is there any ground to imagine that the Government is off-guard in this matter."

RUSSIAN EXPERTS FOR PAKISTAN

KARACHI, Sept. 22. (UPI): The question of importing Russian agricultural experts and agricultural machinery is understood to have bean discussed by the Pakistan Government with the members of the Russian Trade Mission, now in Karachi.

N. Y. Pepper

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.

The market for black pepper was a shade easier today with spots offered at 125, November 108, December 102 and new crop December-January shipment at 80 cents a pound. There was no indication as to what might be expected when the Indian market reopens on Thursday.

N. Y. SILVER

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.

Demand and supply in silver today were about balanced and the turnover approximated 200,000 ounces at unchanged level.

London Pepper

LONDON, Sept. 21.

Pepper prices eased in a quiet market Sellers offered Black Lampong, September/October shipment at fah 1 1/2d. a pound c.i.f. basis ports while 10sh. 3d. quoted for White Muntok and Sarawak. Pending the reopening of the Indian market tomorrow, no reliable quotation for Malabar is available.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

DISPOSALS

AUCTION SALES

1. PLACE OF AUCTION:
   (a) Delhi Cantt., Vehicles Depot (Unfit Park).
   (b) Delhi Cantt., near Railway Station (waiting Salvage Park).

DATE AND TIME:
   (a) 10th & 11th October, 1949, (Monday & Tuesday), at 10 A.M.
   (b) 12th October 1949 (Wednesday) at 10 A.M.

STORES: Surplus—Chevrolet, Ford, Fordson, Dodge, Thornycraft, Crossley, Studebaker and Bedford lorries 8 Cwt., 15-Cwt., 30 Cwt. and 3 Ton Capacity; Tractors; Trailors; and Motor Cycles of various makes; altogether 300 Nos.

2. PLACE OF AUCTION: Kanpur, Central Ordnance Depot,

DATE AND TIME: 24th, 25th, 26th & 27th October 1949 (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday) at 10 A.M.

STORES: Surplus—Barrows wheel wood, 17,800 Nos; Cordage Coir 1¼", 14640 fms; Jackets Serge unlined size 3, 2000 Nos; Trousers Maxri Hospital, 4605 Pairs; Belts Corset Tropical, 12000 Nos; Boots Ankle Black African, 14,174 Pairs; Pump Fire Motor 3½ H.P., 352 Nos.; Pipe Branch Universal (Fyrex type), 163 Nos; Bedstead Iron folding frame Mosquito Nets, 17,000 Nos; Containers Water 2 Gallons, 14,942 Nos; Wedges Sawyers 8", 45,200 Nos; Spoons Gravy, 41,000 Nos; Forks Flesh, 12,200 Nos; Bowls Mixing Pudding, 16,400 Nos; Basins Washing Steel 14", 33750 Nos; Basins Enamelled Washing, 44,800 Nos; Brushes Hair 82,000 Nos; Brushes Shaving, 32,000 Nos; Trays Diet Large, 1560 Nos; Brushes Water Closet, 14,000 Nos; U.C.I.T. Katorahs, 35,730 Nos; Basins Enamelled 6" N.S.P., 22,150 Nos; Table G.S.I.P. Large, 7,469 Nos; Pins Safety Gilt on Oord (2 dozen), 25,000 Cords; Trays Diet Large, 500 Nos; Brushes Tooth, 9,00,000 Nos; Castor Pepper, 80,000 Nos; Pans Frying Large MK. II, 31,588 Nos; Troughs Kneading Inner, 1040 Nos; Funnels Tin 1 Pint & 1 Qrt., 53,150 Nos; Cordage Coir H/Laid 4" 66,000 Fms; Store Oil Wickless No. 100 Burner, 20,000 Nos; Boxes Stationery Field, 4,079 Nos; Insulator Containers Food 10", 891 Nos; Cans Water 2 Gallons, 9,118 Nos; and Huge quantities of Cooker Oil components; etc., etc.

AUCTIONEERS:
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   2. M/s. Durga Das, Kirpa Ram, 102, Khapra Mohal, Kanpur will conduct auction No. 2.

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Egypt To Lead Arab Bloc

PRELIMINARY TALKS WITH BRITAIN

ALEXANDRIA, Sept. 22. (PTI-Reuter): Egyptian Prime Minister, Sirry Pasha had a long meeting today with the acting British Ambassador, Mr. Chapman Andrews, at which, it was understood, they discussed British policy on questions before the United Nations General Assembly affecting Egypt and the Arab States.

Such questions include the fate of Libya, the Palestine Arab refugee problem, internationalisation of Jerusalem and Holland's attitude towards Indonesia.

Special interest here has been focussed on the question of the former Italian colony of Libya, which borders on Egypt.

Egypt is making a big effort to unite the policies of the various Arab delegates at the United Nations on questions touching the Middle East, and hopes to form a bloc with the Asiatic countries.

ROBENSON'S MEN PROTEST TO DEWEY

Demand An Inquiry Committee

NEW YORK, Sept. 22. (P.T.I-Reuter): Supporters of Negro singer Paul Robeson last night marched at Governor Thomas E. Dewey's civic headquarters here yesterday, and protested against what they called the Governor's "whitewash" of recent anti-Robeson rioting near Peekskill.

There was no disorder, though a crowd estimated by police at about 3,000 gathered and were heckled by 250 marchers.

A five-member delegation from the marchers conferred briefly with the Governor's Assistant Counsel and submitted a demand that Dr. Dewey appoint a non-partisan citizens' committee to investigate the Peekskill riots.

STORMY DEBATE IN BUNDESTAG

BONN, Sept. 22, (PTI-Reuter): Herr Max Reimann, West German Communist leader, was called to order during a stormy debate in the Bundestag (Lower House) today when he declared "the Oder-Neisse Line is the line of peace.

The Communist Chief hotly criticised Federal Chancellor Conrad Adenauer, who in his policy speech on Tuesday said Germany could never renounce her claims to the territories east of the Oder-Neisse Line, provisionally fixed at Yalta as Germany's eastern frontier with Poland.

The "qusetion arises why the Western Allies, who so eagerly supported the expulsion of Germans in 1944 and 1945, now asked for revision", Herr Reimann stated.

MORE PRISON GUARDS FOR S. KOREA

Sequel To Jail Break

SEOUL, Sept. 22, (PTI-Reuter): One thousand extra prison guards are to be recruited in South Korea to supplement the small force now guarding the nations 22,000 prisoners.

This follows last week's mass prison break-out at the South Korean town of Mokpo.

From the time of the gaol break 225 convicts have been killed.

The nation-wide hunt for 27 Communist guerillas, remnant of the 353 prisoners who escaped, is still going on in the rugged mountains of the Mokpo Peninsula.

Jap Ship Calls At Rangoon

RANGOON, Sept. 22 (UPI)—The first Japanese ship to call at the Rangoon port since the war is S.S. "Hikawamaru" (11,622 tons) which arrived from Japan on Monday. She is loading rice for Japan.

CELEBES WANTS TO STAY OUT OF INDONESIAN UNION

Petition To R T C Chairman

LONDON, Sept. 22 (PTI-Reuter): Representatives of areas in Celebes Malacca and Timor have petitioned the Chairman of the Hague Round-Table Conference on Indonesia, declaring that the people they represent want to stay outside the new United States, the Hilversum (Holland) Radio reported today.

"The peoples concerned wished to maintain their centuries—old ties with the kingdom of the Netherlands" the petition was quoted as saying, "and want to have the same status as that enjoyed by Dutch Guiana in the West Indies".

The petitioners referred to the "inviolable right of self-determination" laid down in the Atlantic Charter, and said any attempt to bring them under rule other than that of the Crown would be rejected as undemocratic, the radio reported.

KAREN GUERILLAS IN RANGOON

RANGOON, Sept. 22 (UPI)—The Rangoon Police on Sunday night picked up a bundle which was dropped on a wayside line by a jeep without any number but bearing the military signs. The bundle was found to contain 30 sten guns cartridges, 21 rifles cartridges. five KNDO shoulder badges and permits issued by the Karen Affairs Officers of Bassein.

Following this discovery, the police made several arrests and security measures are being continued in the city during the night.

HURRICANE SWEEPS JAPANESE ISLAND

Six Killed: 31 Missing

TOKYO, Sept. 22 (PTI-Reuter): Six people were killed and 31 persons are missing today after a sudden hurricane swept over Kyushu, Japan's most southerly island, without warning. Over 100 fishing boats are missing.

DISCONTINUANCE OF CASTE MENTION

Diwakar Sub-Committee Recommendation

NEW DELHI, Sept. 22, (PTI): The Sub-Committee of the Diwakar Committee has recommended discontinuance of mention of caste with respect to recruitment to services, admission to educational institutions, hospitals, courts electrol rolls etc., it was learnt today.

The Sub-Committee, which met here yesterday, was appointed to examine the various forms used by the Central and Provincial Governments for official purposes. The Sub-Committee, while allowing latitude to provinces is understood to have recommended that the mention of caste and sub-caste should be dispensed with where it is not required by law or by constitution.

The full committee is expected to meet sometime after the next session of the Constituent Assembly.

BUDDHIST LAMA IN SRINAGAR

To Participate In National Conference

SRINAGAR, Sept. 22. (PTI): The Head Lama of Petuk Gumpha accompanied by five others including the Head Muslim Priest of Leh, Mir Waiz Syed Ahmed, is among the delegates for the fortheoming annual session of the National Conference who have arrived here.

Kushak Bakula, Head Lama of Petuk also represents the Head Lama of Hemis Gumpha, the biggest Buddhist Monastery in Ladakh.

Shiekh Abdullah, the Kashmir Premier and other Cabinet Ministers today visited the conference pandal which is now almost complete.

Heed The Storm In China

DELEGATE'S CALL TO U. N.

FUSHING MEADOWS, Sept. 22. (PTI-Reuter): China today asked the United Nations General Assembly "to pay due attention to the storm" which was raging in China.

The request was made by the the Chief Chinese Delegate, Mr. T. F. Tsiang who charged that the Chinese Communists were an "integral part of the international Communist movement" in step with Moscow.

The Chinese Communist Party, Mr. Tsiang said, "is as fanatical as Communists elsewhere. Its propaganda is always in tune with Moscow propaganda. Its action is always in step with Moscow action.

"The strident voice of Mao Tse-tung tells the world the the Communists are a new and mighty contigent in the armies of world revolution which is to spread to South-East Asia and finally to cover the whole world", Mr. Tsiang said.

"I ask the General Assembly to ponder over the present situation in the Far East and the grave dangers to world and security."

NO ONE TO SPEAK

The Assembly had to adjourn for lunch after 45 minutes today because no one could be persuaded to speak in the general debate.

Only two delegates spoke at the morning meeting—Dr. T. F. Tsiang, of China, and Dr. Fadhel Jamali, of Iraq.

When they had finished, the President, General Carlos Romulo, (Philippines) appealed for others to carry on the debate, but he was met with silence.

None of the "Big Four" Foreign Ministers was present today when China appealed to the Assembly to take notice of the "storm" brought on by Communism in China.

CHINESE PORT FALLS TO COMMUNISTS

HONG KONG, Sept. 22. (P.T.I-Reuter): Amoy, Chinese port 285 miles north-east of Hong Kong, has fallen to the Communists, according to unconfirmed Chinese private reports received here today.

Reports reaching Canton, Nationalist Headquarters, said the Communists has occupied Auchow, two miles north-west of Amoy. The fighting was taking place near the city.

General Tang Genpo's Appointment Vetoed

HONG KONG, Sept. 22, (PTI-Reuter): The Chinese Acting President Li Tsung-Jen, last nigt vetoed the appointment of General Tang Genpo former commander-in-chief of the Nanking-Shanghai area, as commander in Fukien.

Tang who is generally regarded as a member of Chiang Kai-Shek's clique within the Kuomintang, was appointed commander of Fukien by the cabinet a fornight ago, the presidential veto confirms earlier reports of a further rift between Chiang and the Nationalist Government.

HONG KONG, Sept. 22 (PTI-Reuter)—The Hong kong-Shanghai Bank this morning called in loans against Unted States dollars and gold bars, according to a most reliable foreign financial sources This step was said to have been taken to tighten up the money market to prevent large-scale speculation in American notes and gold.

JORDAN DEVALUES CURRENCY

AMMAN, Sept. 22. (P.T.I-Reuter): The Hashimite Kingdom of Jordan has decided to devalue the Palestine pound to equal two dollars 80 cents, it was officially announced today.

This move brings the Palestine pound into line with Palestine sterling Israel devalued on Sunday. Previous rate for the Palestine pound was 4.03 dollars the same as sterling.

Compulsory Saving

INDORE, Sept. 22. (P.T.I.): A measure empowering the Industrial Court to direct that a part, which shall not be more than half, of the payment to be made as bonus, shall be saved by the worker, is under the consideration of the Madhyabharat Government, it was officially learned here today.

BNR Madras Mail Delayed

CALCUTTA, Sept. 22. (PTI): The B.N.R. Madras Mail, which left Madras yesterday and was due in Calcutta tomorrow morning, has been delayed on the way because of a breach near Vijaywada on the M. and S. M. Railway and will arrive eight to nine hours late.

The Public Relations Officer, Calcutta Railways, states that a duplicate Madras Mail left Waltair today and will arrive at Howrah tomorrow (Friday) morning at the scheduled arrival time of the regular Madras Mail.

LADY Rama Rau open's exhibition in aid of artists at Rampart Row on Wednesday.

Crocodile With A Hand

TRICHINOPOLY, Sept. 23 (PTI) A fifteen-foot crocodile shot in the big dam across the Cauvery River was found to have a human hand intact inside its stomach. The fate of the human victim is not known, but the giant crocodile which weighed 400 pounds had become a notorious cattle "lifter", many thirsty animals which came to the river for a drink never returning.

The dam is 12 miles from Trichinopoly.

NEW DELHI, Sept. 22. (U.P.I): Mr. Kala Venkata Rao, General Secretary, A. I. C. C. is leaving for Benaras on October 1.

Science Of Industrial Relations

HOW U.S. MEETS STRIKES

BY LISTON M. OAK

STRIKES make news. The visible effects of conflict between labour and management hold the spotlight and capture the headlines. The fact that 95 percent of the disputes that arise in industry are settled peacefully is usually obscured. Also too often ignored is the truth that picket lines are only a symptom of something wrong.

Punitive or suppressive legislation such as labour considers the Taft-Hartley Labour Relations Act to be, is aimed at abolishing symptoms. It does not deal with the cause of Labour trouble.

Obviously a democratic society cannot permit any group to disrupt the economy by incessant class conflict. A free society can endure only if all social groups support its ideals and cooperate within the framework of reasonable and fair laws to advance the public welfare and minimize clashes of economic interest.

URGENT PROBLEM

Hence one of the most urgent problems of our times is to find the way to industrial peace by removing the causes of conflict. In the past decade more and more persons have been making a profession of industrial relations. Experts are making a science of the study, diagnosis and cure of industrial conflict. Today, nearly all American universities have established departments devoted to the study of industrial relations, and after graduation students are employed by either the unions or by management to apply their scientific approach to concrete and troublesome problems.

One impressive fact is the non-partisan, non-clause nature of the investigations that have been made. The men who have contributed toward making a science of industrial relations come from all social groups. They have approached the problem from differing viewpoints. Some were hired by management. Others were labour leaders or economists hired by trade unions. Still another group consisted of university professors. They all came to almost identical conclusions as to the principles and methods of diagnosis and cure of industrial conflict.

It is obvious that a mere change in the social, political or economic structure will not suffice. There are no strikes in totalitarian countries which are organized along Communist lines. This of course, does not mean that the workers do not have grievances. But major grievances in these countries are all too often resolved by orders from above rather than through a mutual give and take. When forced labour and concentration camps await the reclacitrant worker, there is no need of a science of industrial relations.

NO FORMULA

There is no panacea, no fixed formula, that will work in democratic society. The causes of conflict are rooted in human nature and in the character of modern industrial society with all of its enormous complexity. Not an ideology, not a violent revolution, not a class dictatorship, not repressive laws, are needed but a science—or art—of human relations in industry. In America, this new science is in its infancy, but it is a lusty and rapidly growing child—a child mothered by necessity.

Already a very large amount of knowledge and experience has been amassed about how to settle disputes remove grievances, and make the worker not only passively contended but an active partner in the industrial community. The science of human relations is based not upon academic theory, but upon actual clinical work in the plants where trouble originates. On that basis, definite policies and principles have been worked out.

The social scientist and author, Peter F. Drucker, has written and "the causes of labour conflict and unrest are almost always to be found in concrete policies and in objective conditions, and not in somebody's villainy." Disputes do not arise because either the "bosses" or the workers are evil. Of course, there are greedy and stupid employers, and they have their counterparts among trade union leaders. But wrong policies do more damage than wickedness in this field.

Those who have been studying the problem for more than 30 years also report that the issue of wages alone seldom results in a strike unless bad policies followed by management have created unrest and distrust. Human relations are more important than mere financial relations.

This explains why workers will sometimes stay out on strike for months even when they know that even a complete victory would not make up for wages lost.

WHY STRIKES

Years of painstanking research have convinced the experts that there is no one single cause of conflict. A strike is the consequence of manifold and complex factors. Each situation must be examined separately and diagnosed individually as a doctor diagnoses each patient. No one prescription will cure all ills.

However, the four main causes of trouble can be stated:

1. Unfairness or injustice, actual or imagined, on the part of management in handling relations with labour, especially in the treatment of grievances, establishment of wage differentials between jobs, making and enforcing of plant rules, and in promoting or firing men.

2. The effects on workers, physically and psychically, of certain types of repititious work in mass production industries, for example on assembly lines in automobile plants.

3. The attempt of some employers to set worker against worker in competition for jobs, bonuses or promotion; the attempt to break down the loyalty of the worker to the union.

4. The feeling of insecurity.

Employers who have removed these causes of bitterness, resentment and hostility have built a firm foundation for good industrial relations.

MAIN CAUSE OF TROUBLE

One of the highly respected experts on this subject, Elton Mayo of Harvard University, who wrote "Social Problems of an Industrial Society," thinks that of these four causes of trouble, the first, unfairness, is most important. It is the one about which labour is most vocal.

When a firm signs a contract after bargaining collectively with a union, the thing that interests workers most is how its provisions will be interpreted and applied. Most of the clauses of a contract deal with working rules promotions and layoffs, the difference in wage rates paid for various jobs, and the settlement of grievances. Management can handle contractual relations in a manner which will produce satisfaction, or it can create discontent if it is arrogant and hostile to the union.

If management seeks constantly to exploit every dispute that arises under the contract to weaken the union if its terms are interpreted in such a way as to challenge the union's srtength, or in a may that the workers feel is unjust, trouble always follows. In fact, such an attitude tends to strengthen the union convincing the members that the union is their only protection against an unfair "boss".

The solution that the firms mentioned and many others have found effective is to take the interpretation of contract terms out of the area of conflict, by making interpretation a joint responsibilitity of labour and management through committees, with equal representation of both sides.

JOINT COMMITTEES

Under this plan, the joint committees handle plant rules hiring and firing, promotions, and grievances. Any decision of the lower committees in the shops or departments can be appealed to a higher court all the way up to an industry-wide committee and finally to an arbitration board under an impartial chairman mutually acceptable.

Wage differentials under this plan are set by a joint board of job evaluation and analysis experts which decides which jobs call for higher wages.

By meeting regularly, these joint committees can iron out difficulties before they become real grievances, or in American slang "beefs", or "gripes." In contrast to those firms in which representatives of labour and management never meet except to fight, the spirit in these joint committee meetings becomes one of friendly discussion of problems, a co-operative effort to find a mutually agreeable solution.

It is important that grievances be settled immediately—within a week. Delay will rankle in the mind of the worker, who feels that his complaint is being ignored and that management is stalling.

When it is necessary to lay off some employees, the question arises: should these most recently hired be fired first, or the least capable regardless of seniority? Or should there be a share-the-work plan so that no one need lose his job? Under the best plans, the workers themselves make the choice, or at least recommendations. Usually seniority—length of employment —is the decisive factor.

These joint discussions are held in the open — in a goldfish bowl, as the expression goes. Besides the elected representatives of both parties, others not on the committee can attend and listen, so that everyone knows what is going on and there is no suspicion of a sell-out. There is no danger of a secret deal.

The key to the solution of all these complex problems, it was found in all the hundreds of cases studied, is the recognition by management that decisions reached are of vital concern to every individual worker. Joint participation and responsibility lead to mutual understanding and increased goodwill.—USIS.

VILLAGERS STAGE A DEMONSTRATION

JAIPUR, Sept. 22. (PTI): Villagers of Bagaru near Jaipur staged a demonstration at the Secretariat compound yesterday demanding replacement of the Chairman of the Bagaru Gram Panchayat and fresh elections to the Panchayat.

People IN THE NEWS

DR. PATTABHI

NEW DELHI, Sept. 22. (U.P.I.): Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya, Congress President, is leaving for Madras tomorrow and will return to Delhi by October 3.

DR. AMAR NATH JHA

SRINAGAR, Sept. 22 (UPI): Dr. Amar Natha Jha, formerly Vice-Chancellor of Allahabad University, it is authoritatively learnt, here, has been nominated member of Iranian Academy

Previously, the late Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru and Dr. Ziauddin were members of this Academy.

MADRAS TRAINS DELAYED

Breaches En Route

MADRAS, Sept. 22, (PTI). The incoming trains from Delhi, Calcutta and Bombay are subject to considerable delay today due to breaches on the railway lines caused by heavy rains yesterday.

The "Bombay Express" which should have arrived here at 8 a.m. is held up beyond Ongole (180 miles from Madras) owing to breaches. The railway authorities here have no information as to when it would arrive here.

The Grand Trunk Express due here this morning is also running indefinitely late.

The Calcutta Mail, which left the Central Station this evening, carried passengers only up to Ongole beyond which it is not proceeding.

The "Bombay Mail" leaves Madras tonight at 9 as usual.

CZECH PRIESTS TO WORK ILLEGALLY

Govt.'s Strict Watch

PRAGUE, Sept. 22 (PTI-Reuter): Roman Catholic priests who lose office under the Czech Government's new bill making church appointments subject to Government approval will "continue in their work even illegally", according to a high Church official at a secret interview with Western newspapermen.

Some priests, he said, would accept the higher salaries fixed for them in the bill bringing the Church Administration under Government control, and this might affect the unity of the priests.

There had been a more strict watch on priests recently he said.

Newspaper statesments about the Church were "only ten per cent true, or not true at all". It was untrue, that Dr. Josef Beran, Bishop of Prague, had blessed political schooling for priests, he declared.

What was true was that Dr. Beran was under police surveillance and that "some hundreds" of priests had been arrested.

Red Threat To World Labour Solidarity

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other organisation of totalitarian tendency "is incompatible with membership of the I.T.F."; and it requested the I.T.F. Executive to consider amendment of the constitution so as to provide an expeditious procedure "whereby a union which acts against the declared principles and interests of the I.T.F. and its affiliations may be suspended from membership of the I.T.F."

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Questions:—

1. When and on what route did K.L.M. inaugurate their regular air service—the world's oldest?
2. In what year did K.L.M. establish what became the first regular air service from Europe across this sub-continent?
3. In what type of aircraft and in what time did K.L.M. win the Melbourne Handicap Race?
4. What is your estimate of the total number of passengers carried by K.L.M. to the area of India and Pakistan during this Company's 30th Anniversary month of October 1949?

Entries will be accepted from... CLOSING DATE: 31st October, 1949.

Further details available from, and entries to be sent to, any of the following General Agents: Messrs. Java Bengal Line, 5-7 Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta. ● Messrs. Volkart Brothers, Mulund Road, Karachi. ● Messrs. Indian National Airways, Mahatma Building, Queensway, Delhi. ● Messrs. Trading Co. (Late Hagi & Co. Ltd.) Taj Mahal Hotel, Sea Face, Bombay.

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BOMBAY BECOMES A GHOST CITY

Rains came to the city with a vengeance. With it came down a few houses killing man and beast. throwing families on flooded streets. Photo shows part of a house that collapsed in the deluge

Many vehicles were stranded in the floods. Here is one motor lorry riding the waters.

Pedestrains wading through knee-deep water in another part of the city.

Havoc Wrought By Rain

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or standing unattended, were testimony to the foolhardiness of the more venturesome people.

During the height of the downpour, the only life in the streets were occasional raincoated footsloggers, who were wading through the water.

Rail tracks on both the G. I. P. and B.B. & C.I. Railway systems lay under the water for long stretches with the result that not only the local suburban electric trains but also most long distance trains were unable to come in or leave Bombay on time. Many long distance trains had to be cancelled and it was with great difficulty that incoming train reached the terminus on either railway many hours behind time.

ON PLANES

No plane landed or took off from either the Juhu or the Santa Cruz airports. The aerodromes were declared "red" from early today for 24 hours.

Three house collapses and 13 minor fires had been reported to the Bombay Fire Brigade till late in the evening. One man was killed when a compound wall collapsed in Central Bombay, while six people were injured in the house collapses, also in Central Bombay. The fires mostly due to short circuiting of electric wires caused no significant damage.

The Fire Brigade had by far the heaviest number of calls for helping to pump out water from flooded basement godowns. It was impossible to assess damage caused by such flooding. It was known that a small Government grain godown was among those affected.

NO LIGHTS

With its plants waterlogged, the Bombay Gas Company found it difficult to meet full demands for gas supply. Gas supply for street lighting was completely cut off and so streets, exclusively lit by gas lamps, were dark. Electric supply, however, continued uninterrupted.

The worst hit were the city's floating population, the pavement-dwellers and hundreds of working class families living under ramshackle roofs in the few un-built up open areas particularly in North Bombay. Municipal school buildings were used in some cases to house people flooded out of the ground floor of working class tenements. The Socialist leader Mr. Asoka Mehta told the PTI that he was calling for donations to rehabilitate many such families, who had had to leave ground floor tenements on Tardeo Road in Central Bombay.

FREAKISH BURST

Bombay's record rainfall appeared to have been the crowning feature of a freakish rain burst over a 200-mile strip across the Deccan Plateau stretching right from the bay of Bengal to the Arabian Sea.

Bombay city in the north-west, Vizagapatam in the north-east, Nellore in the south-east and a point not far south of Ratnagiri in the south-west formed the four points of this wet quandrangle, covering South Bombay Province, South Hyderabad State, and Andhra Desa.

Rainfall was fairly widespread in this area. Next to Bombay, the wettest spot in this quandrangle was Ongole, about 150 miles north of Madras and just ten miles from the east coast, which had recorded 14 inches of rain in the course of 48 hours ended this morning. Other notable rainfall figures, most of them covering 24 hours upto morning today were:

Ratnagiri on the west coast four inches.

Bijapur in Karnataka six inches.

Jeur (between Sholapur and Dhond) seven inches.

Raichur in South Hyderabad five inches.

Kurnool in Andhra Desa nearly four inches.

EXPERT OPINION

Weather experts explained that the unusual rainfall, which was bridging the departing North-West Monsoon and the oncoming North-East Monsoon, had been caused by the following atmospheric processes:—

About three days ago, a depression was formed in the Bay of Bengal, which has since moved into Hyderabad State and was this morning centered round Khammamet, about 150 miles east of Hyderabad City. Under the influence of this "disturbance" widespread and locally heavy rain caused in Andhra Desa Royalaseema. By this morning, the heavy rainfall belt had extended beyond Hyderabad into Bombay Deccan and North Konkan.

It was expected that rainfall will continue in these areas for another day or two. Monsoonish conditions would strengthen during the next few days on the west coast, where stations south of Mangalore had reported nothing unusual upto this evening.

Reports from the interior of Hyderabad State and otner heavy rainfall centres are scanty, but the, M.S.M. railfay headquarters in Madras reported that the railway track between Ongole and Ammanabrolu stations on the north-east line of this railway system had been affected and that consequently the Madras bound Grand Trunk Express which arrived at Vijayawada this morning had been diverted via Secunderabad, Wadi and Raichur. The Grand Trunk Express which left Madras City this morning was also following the same route.

In Hyderabad City itself, rainfall has not been heavy so far and planes were arriving and taking off from the Hakimpet airport.

HEAVY RAIN IN KURNOOL

Kurnool Town registered eleven inches of rain during the last 48 hours during which there has been widespread and heavy rain throughout Kurnool District.

The rain continued with strong winds in Kurnool Town.

A large number of houses in the low lying areas in Kurnool Town have either collapsed or are flooded. Buses are plying day and night, offering free transport to stranded families to places of safety.

Giddalur, another town in Kurnool District, recorded nine inches of rain yesterday. The Tungabadhra is in full spate.

PLANES HELD UP

Two passenger aircraft of Air India on the Calcutta-Bombay route today have been held up at Nagpur following heavy rainfall in Bombay. The passengers are spending the day in Nagpur. Both the aircraft reached Nagpur at about noon from Calcutta, and were advised not to proceed to Bombay.

LIGHTING STRIKES AT KURLA

Failure Of Power

Lightning s.ruck the Kurla electric sub-station, about 12 miles north of Bombay city, causing a six-hours interruption of power supply between Kurla and Dadar, five miles to the south. This was one of the contributory causes to the complete suspension of the suburban rail service on the G. I. P. line today, it was officially stated tonight.

EFFECT ON CROPS

Officers of the Agricultural Department in Poona were waiting anxiously for reports of the effect on crops following widespread rains in the province, experienced since yesterday, from their district officers, yesterday, from their district dis-

It was stated that the continuance of the heavy rainfall would harm the kharif crops. The sowing of rabi crops was also likely to be affected, because fields would be submerged in under water.

IN HUBLI

HUBLI: A mother and child were killed in a house collapse in Bagalkot following heavy rains in the past two days. Bus transport in the whole of Bijapur District has been dislocated.

RAINFALL BY AREA

BOMBAY, Thursday (PTI): The Santa Cruz Weather Forecasting Station in Bombay recorded a total rainfall of 27.81 inches between the period 08-30 a.m. yesterday and 23.30 p.m. today.

For the same period, the amount of rainfall registered at the Juhu Weather Station was 28.20 inches.

The Colaba Observatory, which in the southern tip of Bombay city, announced a total of 31.25 inches of rain for the period between 08-30 hours yesterday and 21.00 hours today.

THE BRIGHTER SIDE

At upper Colaba a rubber dingy is used to cross the flooded street

Prime Minister's Punctuality

SIMLA, Sept. 22. (UPI): Prime Minister Pandit Nehru set a new record for punctuality during his recent tour of the province.

This view was expressed by the officials who accompanied the Prime Minister in his tour.

Pandit Nehru covered more than 600 miles in less than 56 hours and addressed a large number of meetings. He arrived at Ludhiana a little late which was the only exception to the observance of punctuality for reasons beyond anybody's control. The plane could not take off.

Officials also expressed their appreciation of the admirable way in which the millions who gathered round Pandit Nehru to hear him behaved. They hold the view that the Prime Minister's tour has electrified the entire life of the province.

RAINFALL BELT EXTENDS

Ongole Gets 14 Inches In 48 Hours

Dr. S. N. Sen, Meteriologist, Madras said today that Ongole about 200 miles from Madras on the east coast had experienced 14 inches of rain in the last 48 hours.

By the 22nd morning, heavy rainfall belt extended beyond Hyderabad into Bombay Deccan and North Konkan, Dr. Sen adds.

Dr. Sen says on September 18, low preassure waves from the east moved into the North Andaman Sea and during its passage west-north-westward it concentrated into a depression in the central bay and was centered on the 19th morning about 500 miles to the east of Kakinada.

It moved westward and by 20th morning it intensified into a deep depression centred about 150 miles east of Kakinada.

Thereafter the deep depression intensified further into a cyclonic storm and moved west-south-west lay close to the coast near Masulipatam on the afternoon of 21st and it then weakened into a deep depression moving in a west-north-easterly direction.

It was centered this morning, 22nd, about 100 miles west-north-west of Masulipatam.

Under the influence of this disturbance, Dr. Sen says widespread and locally very heavy rain occurred in South Andhra Desa and Royalaseema.

Rainfall during the 48 hours commencing 20th morning are: Ongole recorded 14 inches and Kurnool, nine inches.

By the 22nd morning the heavy rainfall belt extended beyond Hyderabad into Bombay Deccan and North Konkan.

Referring to west coast Dr. Sen said under the influence of this depression monsoonic conditions would strengthen during the next few days.

BREACHES ON M.S.M RAILWAY

Grand Trunk Express Diverted

MADRAS, Sept. 22 (PTI)—Breaches in the railway line between Madras and Vijayavada, caused by heavy rains have dislocated the through running of the Grand Trunk Express connecting Madras with Delhi.

The Public Relations Officer M and S M and S. I. Rly. in a Press note says:—

"Very heavy rains on the North-East line of M. and S. M. Railway have affected the track in a number of places between Ongole and Ammanabrolu stations and through running of trains has been interrupted. The Madras-bound Grand Trunk Express which arrived Vijayavada this morning is being diverted via Secunderabad Wadi and Raichur. The Delhi-bound Grand Trunk Express which left Madras today is also being diverted by the same route.

"On the Guntakkal-Donakonda section also, the line has been affected between Basavapuram and Bugganapallai.

Train service is being maintained between Guntakkal and Dronachalam and between Vijayavada and Giddalur. Until weather conditions improve, it is not possible to forecast when through train services will be restored."

MUTT AND JEFF— Well That's One Way To W Hard And Get No Plac By BUD FISHER.

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NAW!
CEMENT
100 LBS
HOW MANY BAGS OF CEMENT DID YOU CARRY THIS MORNING?
ONE!
CEMENT
ONE?
SURE, I CARRY TH' SAME ONE UP AND DOWN ALL THE TIME TO FOOL THE BOSS INTO THINKIN' I'M WORKIN'!
100 LBS
?
Fisher

Big Haul Of Ganja

CALCUTTA, Sept. 22. (UPI): What is stated to be one of the biggest hauls in recent times was effected on Thursday by Mr. Rashik Lal Das, Inspector of Excise when he seized at Sealdah station a large quantity of contraband ganja, weighing one maund, 20 seers, valued approximately at 22,500. It is stated that articles were brought from the Manipore State as textile goods.

Three persons were arrested in this connection.

No More "Waste Land" In Bihar

JAIPUR, Sept. 22. (PTI): The Rajasthan Government have promulgated an order requiring producers of sugar to sell their stocks to the Government at the scheduled price, it was officially announced yesterday.

The order empowers the district magistrate and enforcement officer to check and seal sugar stocks of any person within their jurisdiction.

Secunderabad Hotel Strike Abandoned

SECUNDERABAD, Sept. 22 (UPI): "All is well that end well". It is in this spirit the workers of Secunderabad hotels, have abandoned the proposed strike from September 23, following a joint meeting of the workers and the proprietors of hotels this evening when the latter concerned to all the 12 demands of the workers.

POLICE EXCESSES: A FAST

GAYA, Sept. 22. (UPI): Mr. Bechcha Singh, President, Gaya Zila Yubak Sangh has undertaken a "fast unto death" since September 17 demanding immediate enquiry into the police excesses during the Pitri Paksha Mela by the Prime Minister of Bihar and the President of Bihar Provincial Congress Committee. Mr. Singh's wife is also fasting.

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